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Committee: Mrs. James W. Janney, Chairman; Miss Elizabeth G. Ross, Secretary; Mrs. James B. Herrick, Miss Martha Gemmell.

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Superintendent, The Presbyterian Hospital of Chicago.

AN OPTIMISTIC GOOD-MORNING.

The BULLETIN wishes to greet its readers with a cheery tone and sanguine spirit. Since our last issue, a New Year has opened before us. We welcome it most gladly, and thank it in advance for the opportunities for succoring and saving suffering humanity, and for the successes and blessings it is sure to bring to us, and while doing this, we will not fail to show our grateful appreciation of the good brought by the year, so lately "gone glimmering down the stream of things that were." Nineteen hundred and eleven was marked by great advances for our Hospital. It gave us the stimulus

of enlarged areas; it demonstrated the ever increasing efficiency of our surgical and medical skill, and it offered the testimony of many altered lives to vindicate our claim to an applied Christianity.

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It is with no change of spirit that we recall the fact that sprays of cypress mingled with the holly wreaths we shaped in thought for Christmas cheer. During the year just completed members of our Board, whom we loved and relied upon have been called to higher stations of work and influence. The angel whom we call Death, has visited our circle, and we mourn the absence of those whom He called to accompany Him, but we have for our comfort the fact that those lives were a benediction to many, and an inspiration to lead us to higher aims and a more blessed accomplishment along the lines in which they loved to work, and we thank our Heavenly Father for having given such women to us and to the world.

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We would call especial attention to an appeal in this number of the BULLETIN, by Mr. Bacon, the Superintendent of the Hospital. The article pleads eloquently for itself, and we would like to suggest that a committee of able and energetic women be promptly appointed to aid in the furtherance of this admirable suggestion.

IN MEMORIAM.

The death of Mrs. John B. Drake on October 26, 1911, took from us another of the few remaining Charter members of our Woman's Auxiliary Board.

Through the nearly twenty-eight years of the Board's existence, Mrs. Drake's interest never waned and manifested itself through many channels.

Rarely was she absent from the monthly meetings until ill-health in recent years compelled irregular attendance.

At the October meeting she was reported improving from a recent indisposition, and it was her hope and expectation to be present when we assembled in November, but when that day arrived we were made sadly conscious that never more would we be privileged to greet her in the places which had been gladdened by her visible presence, and all were impressed by the beauty and purity and fragrance of a memorial cluster of lilies so emblematic of her character. The opening services were in her memory and the following tribute was presented:

God, in His infinite wisdom, has taken from us His faithful follower, Mrs. Josephine Corey Drake.

All who called her friend are the happier for having known her, and to many of us, the personal loss is very great.

It is especially fitting that the more formal recognition of her untiring love and devotion to the cause of Christ should come from

those who were associated with her for so many years in the First Presbyterian Church.

Those who have known her keen interest in every department of our great Hospital are well aware that she gave largely to it of her time and of her income; she furnished and endowed a room in memory of her beloved parents, and in the quiet shelter of this restful Corey room, many sufferers were without expense, restored to health and happiness.

Through many years she received contributions of delicacies from members of the First Church for the free patients in our Hospital, and the larger the amount she could convey to them, the greater was her delight.

In her own home, her gracious personality charmed all who approached her. Her family circle grew smaller as parents and husbands were taken from her, and as her children married, yet her interest in her friends and in humanity never lessened, and the number who received health and strength and encouragement from her never will be known.

She welcomed to her hospitable table, the visitor in the city, the lonely one in a boarding house, the stranger just come to Chicago—to these and to all her friends, her home was ever open, and we can all unite in saying, "We have lost a friend."

JESSICA JENKS,

ELIZABETH ALLING,

For the First Church Committee.

AN APPEAL.

November 30, 1911.

"Superintendent Presbyterian Hospital, Chicago, Ill.

Dear Sir and Brother: I am at present engaged in Evangelistic Work assisting the Presbyterian Minister of this place. I am suffering great pain at times, so much so, that it interferes with my work. The doctor here informs me that it is necessary for me to undergo an operation before I can get any relief, therefore, I am writing to you to ask what the expense will be.

I wish you would be so kind as to let me hear from you by return mail, so I can arrange my affairs accordingly.

The question of finance is one that troubles me, for I only depend upon the "Free Will Offerings" of the people for my support, and as I have a wife and six children depending upon me you will at once see the reason for my raising this question.

Yours faithfully,

Rev. J. C. L."

The above appeal is only one out of many which the Superintendent received during the year. It brings home to us very forcibly what we should do for our Ministers and Missionaries when sick and disabled, who are devoting their lives for the uplifting of humanity. These men get an average salary of \$700.00 a year, and many are

the sacrifices they have to make to care for their families and educate their children.

It is humiliating to a Minister to accept charity and many times he continues his work while suffering, as this brave man who wrote the above letter has, because of not having sufficient funds to pay for Hospital treatment. These soldiers of the cross deserve most careful and skilled hospital treatment when incapacitated, and it seems to me that some provision should be made for their comfort.

Various of our Nurses' Training Schools have endowed beds for sick nurses; many of our fraternal organizations provide hospital treatment for their sick members. The large business firms, many of our railroads, provide for their sick and injured, but there is no endowed room in the Presbyterian Hospital set aside to receive our Ministers and Missionaries. The General Assembly pensions them when too old to work, but this is not sufficient when sickness overtakes them, as you see by the following letter.

November 25, 1911

"Superintendent Presbyterian Hospital, City.

Dear Sir: I am a retired Minister receiving partial aid from the relief fund of our Church for two years. This amount is not sufficient to keep me, so I make my home with my children.

Up until I resigned my last pastorate in 1907, I gave 45 years' work in the ministry. Since then I have devoted a part of the time to Home Mission Work.

In case of serious illness, I wish to know on what terms I could be admitted to the Presbyterian Hospital. I am asking no charity, only to know your regular prescribed conditions.

Fraternally yours,

W. W. A."

This veteran of the Ministry you see is very anxious as to what he shall do when sickness visits him, but he specifies explicitly that he does not wish charity. Wouldn't it make this good man, who has devoted his life to the Church, extremely happy, if the Superintendent could write and tell him that in recognition of the valuable work for humanity that Ministers and Missionaries are doing, a room has been endowed by kind and generous people to receive our Ministers and Missionaries when sick. The Superintendent believes that there are people who would gladly endow a room to be called the "Presbyterian Ministers Room," if they only knew what relief it would render.

The Hospital does take them in and care for them without charge when they are not able to pay, but usually it is a bed in the ward that is available.

If there is any doubt in the minds of our readers as to what it really means to a poor overworked Minister, to be received into the Hospital and restored to health, I believe his doubts will fade away after reading the following letter, as this is only one of many that the Superintendent has on file.

This letter was written by one of our Missionaries who was working among the people in the back woods of Wisconsin.

"Permit me to take this opportunity of expressing to you my depth of appreciation for the great kindness shown to me, as well as to the vast good done to me during my recent operation, while at the Presbyterian Hospital. The nature of my work on this largely scattered home mission field is such that it requires a good deal of driving from place to place, oft times over very rough roads in all sorts of weather as well as at all hours. This coupled with the fact that my health has been somewhat below par ever since giving up mis-

sion work in Central Africa, some years ago, had at length brought matters to that stage to require an operation.

I was very kindly received at the Hospital on Monday the 17th, the Superintendent leaving no stone unturned to make me comfortable. Indeed, words almost fail to express my great appreciation to him who showed such kindness to one who was an utter stranger to him. The services of the nurses could scarcely be too highly praised, but what shall I say of that great surgeon and physician who has been the means in God's hand in giving me a new lease on life. The doctor who performed the operation and to whom I owe so much. No words of mine can express the blessing of such a noble Institution as your Presbyterian Hospital in the city of Chicago, which so beautifully demonstrated the words of the Master in Mathew 25:35-36.

Please accept my most sincere thanks to you who have made it possible for me to be cured and receive such expert treatment free of charge. I am,

Yours very sincerely,

(Signed) WM. M. M.

Information regarding the establishment of an endowed room for our Presbyterian Ministers and Missionaries will be gladly given.

ASA BACON,
Superintendent.

SOCIAL SERVICE.

Among the many Social Service cases, in which the members of the Woman's Auxiliary Board has become interested is one of a sub-normal young woman who has been under our supervision for over a year.

Handicapped both physically and mentally, she has been turned from home by her father, and has come entirely under the care of the Social Service Committee. Efforts were made to give her a normal home life where she could be useful and happy, and after various unsuccessful experiments she is now satisfactorily located with a family that takes a genuine interest in her, that she both understands and appreciates.

A woman fifty-five years of age proved to be a border-line mental case that would need extended sanatorium treatment, or wise and sympathetic home care. She was without money or relatives in the city, but in another state relatives were found to whom the situation was explained. At once an invitation was sent to the woman—"Come, and make us a long visit." This was accepted, and the patient sent to her friends much cheered by the thought that they wanted her in their home.

A young colored girl, who always has been and always will be a cripple, needed after an operation, new braces that would cost forty-five dollars. The Woman's Board of the Crippled Children's

Home were asked if they wished to help in the matter, and they agreed to give half the amount needed.

Miss Marion Little has also contributed fifteen dollars and the Woman's Club of the Second Church, through Miss Sweezy, ten dollars. The amount required is therefore on hand, and we have something with which to start our next special fund.

Mrs. Frank Penfield has raised the money for a full set of ~~teeth~~ for a woman who is the only support of her family; her husband being crippled with rheumatism.

The Thanksgiving and Christmas work was done almost entirely by our friends, who took the names of families and personally saw to the providing of dinners and gifts. Members of the First Church of Oak Park took care of six families and sent a check for four dollars to the Committee for further help. The Second Church of this city and others sent baskets so generously filled that we are sure many were encouraged and cheered by these gifts.

MRS. JOHN BLACOM SHAW,
Chairman.

MISS ELLEN PERSONS,
Visitor.

THE NEEDLE WORK GUILD.

There never was a more generous contribution to the patients of our Hospital from the Chicago Chapter of the Needle Work Guild of America than that of November, 1911.

Hospital supplies were eliminated and the 270 garments received were entirely for needy convalescent patients, most of whom would have left the Hospital without clothing for warmth and protection. As many articles are needed for the Social Service Department, 125 of the garments received were given to that work and will be distributed according to the discretion of Miss Persons.

This recognition of the donation made us would be incomplete without mention of the dainty box—an infant's outfit—made by Mrs. Thomas E. Wells (one of six boxes, her annual contribution to the Guild), which in the general distribution found its way to us. It was given to the wife of our Chaplain, who had just welcomed a little daughter, born in the Hospital.

It is to be hoped that all the members of our Board will appreciate the good work of this most helpful organization, and will feel it a privilege to contribute to the general collection which is taken in October and November of each year.

Two new articles of clothing, according to the wish of the donor, are all that are asked for, and the sum total teaches a lesson in the power of accumulation of small articles.

REPORT OF THE ENTERTAINMENT COMMITTEE.

The first Entertainment of the season was most enthusiastically received on Saturday, December the ninth. Miss Florence Pattison of the Third Presbyterian Church, arranged the artistic program. Miss Hazel Bushby sang in her accustomed charming way, the bright and pretty songs selected for the afternoon. Miss Dennis proved herself mistress of her violin, and received the applause she so richly deserved, and Miss Bishop was no less pleasing at the piano. Mrs. Culbertson, as usual, delighted all with her clever readings.

The storm of the day prevented many friends of the patients from visiting them, and in consequence of this we had an audience of sixty enthusiastic and happy invalids. After the concert, a social season was enjoyed, and before separating many of our guests thanked us for providing so much enjoyment for them.

On December thirtieth, eight of the ladies of the Co-Educational Club chorus gave the program. The entertainment was well attended, thirty-five of the patients coming in wheel chairs.

We take this opportunity to thank all who have assisted us this month, in bringing a bit of outside cheer to our shut-in brothers and sisters.

Respectfully submitted,

WILMENE T. WHITE,
Chairman Entertainment Committee.

REPORT OF THE CHRISTMAS ENTERTAINMENT.

The Christmas Entertainment was held in the Hospital Chapel on Saturday evening, December twenty-third, at seven o'clock. The room was full to overflowing—more patients in wheel chairs than ever before. A colored quartette, accompanying their singing with cello, guitar and mandolin, gave many popular and pleasing songs. Mr. W. S. Hitchcock, a character impersonator of unusual ability, delighted all with his numerous roles.

It was a great pleasure to watch the enjoyment of the different patients.

The Chapel was gaily decorated with Christmas greens, and gave quite the spirit of the holiday season.

The Committee on the Christmas Entertainment wishes to thank all who so kindly contributed to the pleasure afforded to the patients.

KATE DIXON MARTIN,
Chairman Christmas Entertainment Committee.

HOSPITAL NOTES.

Since our last issue the Hospital has cared for four missionaries, two working in foreign lands, one in the Home Field and one in our own city of Chicago. Miss Payne of China, missionary in the care of the W. B. M. I. of the Congregational Church, Mr. Heminger of the West African Presbyterian Mission, Mrs. Young of Nebraska Home Mission, all left the Hospital filled with gratitude for the good care and faithful medical attention they received.

INTERNES NOTES.

Dr. Edgerton resigned his internship to accept an assistant professorship in anatomy at the University of Pittsburg.

Dr. Lamme finished his internship in December and has taken Dr. Darling's practice at Algonquin, Ill., while Dr. Darling serves a Gynecological internship in this Hospital.

Dr. Murrah finished his service January first, and is at his home, Creal Springs, Ill., for a short vacation prior to starting his practice.

Dr. Greer also finished his internship January first and will do research work here in the city for the O. S. A. Sprague Memorial Institute.

Dr. McFarland finished his work on the Webster service New Year's day and has accepted a professorship in Physiology and Physiological Chemistry at the University of Minnesota.

The new men that have come in recently are Dr. Fjelstad on the mixed service, Dr. Darling with Dr. Webster, Dr. Koch with Dr. Graham, Dr. Roberg with Dr. Billings and Dr. Davis with Dr. Bevan.

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EDITORIAL NOTES

Some years ago a noted Presbyterian minister, observing the methods in giving of members of his own parish, and of those of other congregations, said: "Surely, Presbyterians might well be called God's silly sheep. They respond to every cry for help from other folds, when their own borders sadly need to be strengthened and supported."

This was true at that time, and it is no less true to-day. The generosity of Presbyterian hearts prompts a helping hand whenever it is needed. But, before yielding to this impulse, it is wise to pause and consider, and then remember that we stand pledged to support the many good works our own churches have undertaken.

All the gifts at the disposal of Presbyterian hearts and hands are required to make our own churches and our own charities the successes they should be.

Let us make them worthy of the high reputation our great church has always sustained for the extent and efficiency of its work. Let us concentrate our gifts upon the churches and missions and hospitals established by those of our own household of faith.

IN MEMORIAM

Mrs. A. J. Averill,
Second Presbyterian Church.
Died, February 17, 1912.

Mrs. John V. Farwell,
Lake Forest Church.
Died, April 6, 1912.

Mrs. J. Reynolds,
Eighth Presbyterian Church.
Died, January —, 1912.

Mrs. Phoebe S. Schermerhorn,
Englewood Presbyterian Church.
Died, March —, 1912.

On the 17th of February, 1912, occurred the death of one of our Honorary Vice-Presidents—Mrs. A. J. Averill. She had been for many years a resident of this city, having come here in early life.

Frail health had kept her from taking an active part in church and charities, but she always contributed most generously and gladly of her means.

The Presbyterian Hospital was one of the institutions in which she was sincerely interested, and the memorial ward of ten beds bearing her name is an abiding evidence of this fact. At Thanksgiving it has been her custom to bountifully remember the patients in this ward, and lavish gifts of delicacies and flowers have contributed to the comfort and pleasure of many sick and convalescing people. The gracious and gentle manner of Mrs. Averill endeared her to her friends, and her going has saddened the circle which she drew around her.

With great regret we shall drop her name from the list of Honorary Vice-Presidents, for we feel that we have lost an earnest supporter of the Hospital, and a friend whose place cannot easily be filled.

MRS. JOHN BALCOM SHAW.

The Woman's Auxiliary Board of the Presbyterian Hospital, having learned with deep regret of the death of Mrs. John V. Farwell, Sr., of Lake Forest, on the 6th of April, desire to extend to all members of her family an expression of its sense of personal loss.

Mrs. Farwell was one of the Vice-Presidents of this Board for the first ten years of its existence, and for four years of that time she was the First Vice-President. Because of other duties, she resigned from this Board, and, a year ago, was made an Honorary Vice-President. For more than fifty years, Mrs. Farwell has been identified with the life of Chicago and of Lake Forest. In the early days of her life here, she became associated with the Second Presbyterian Church, and interested herself with various societies working for the betterment of humanity, and she was ever ready

to participate in their support and progress. For years she was an honored member of the Foreign Missionary Board of the Northwest.

Her care for sick and suffering humanity was not only manifest in these larger and collective methods of relief, but individuals all about her felt the personal touch of her interest and loving thought.

She was one of the strong women whose quiet and benign influence leaves its mark upon the community—a woman whose memory we love to honor.

MRS. A. M. DAY,
MISS FRANCES GOULD,
MISS ANNIE BROWN.

It was with deep regret that the Woman's Auxiliary Board learned of the death of two other members—Mrs. J. Reynolds of the Eighth Presbyterian Church, and Mrs. Phoebe S. Schermerhorn of the Englewood Presbyterian Church.

On account of feeble health, these ladies had not been able to render active service for some time, but evinced continued interest in the Hospital by their membership.

The Board extends its sympathy to their families in their bereavement.

REPORT OF THE ANNUAL MEETING

The Annual Meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary Board of the Presbyterian Hospital was held in the Chapel of the Hospital, Monday, April 1, at 11 a. m. The attendance was large.

The President of the Board of Managers, Mr. A. M. Day, was in the chair.

The meeting was opened with prayer by Dr. Robert Scott, Moderator of the Chicago Presbytery.

The Annual Report of the Secretary, Miss Elisabeth Gates Ross, was then presented, showing an enrollment of 48 churches, of which 46 are Presbyterian and two are Congregational. The total membership is 209, with an average attendance of 64.

The Treasurer, Miss Rose Mason, presented her Annual Report, showing:

Total Receipts	\$22,053.40
Disbursements	17,109.46
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Balance	\$ 4,943.94

Balance in General Fund, \$4,369.96. (See Treasurer's explanation.)

Owing to a previous engagement, which necessitated his leaving at an early hour, Dr. John Balcom Shaw delivered the address before the time appointed for it in the program.

Most eloquently and earnestly did he present the noble causes for which the Presbyterian Hospital stood, and urgently did he plead for continuous and increasing ministrations to the mental and spiritual needs of the patients.

Mrs. Frank C. Hosmer most acceptably presented a summary of the work of the various Committees of the Woman's Auxiliary Board, which will be found upon other pages of the Bulletin.

The President, Mr. Day, addressed the meeting, expressing much admiration for, and approbation of, the work of the Woman's Board.

Miss McMillan, Superintendent of the Nurses' Training School, presented a very able report of the work conducted under her management, and urged all present to try and interest young women

of fine capacity and character to enroll themselves as students in the Nurses' Training School.

Mr. Bacon, Superintendent of the Hospital, enumerated striking and interesting cases of cures performed in the Hospital, illustrating them with photographs of X-ray revelations of the location of disturbing agencies, and causing all listeners to more fully appreciate the magnitude of the good work done for suffering humanity by our noble band of surgeons, physicians and nurses.

The Report of the Nominating Committee was given by its Chairman, Mrs. Welling, as follows:

Honorary President,
Mrs. Cyrus McCormick.

Honorary Vice-Presidents,
Mrs. Timothy Blackstone, Mrs. William Blair,
Mrs. Albert Keep.

President,
Mrs. David Graham.

Vice-Presidents,
Mrs. Octavius S. Newell, Mrs. Albert B. Dick,
Mrs. Albert M. Day, Mrs. Frederick W. Crosby,
Mrs. John Balcom Shaw, Mrs. Martin D. Hardin,
Mrs. John B. Lord, Mrs. C. K. Pomery,
Miss Helen V. Drake.

Secretary,
Miss Elizabeth Gates Ross.

Treasurer,
Miss Rose B. Mason.

Executive Committee,

Class of 1913 (to fill vacancy)—Mrs. L. J. Lamson

Class of 1914 (to fill vacancy)—Mrs. Jas. W. Janney.

Class of 1915:

Mrs. W. J. Atken,

Mrs. A. G. Fisher,

Mrs. F. S. Shaw,

Mrs. Edward Jonathan,

Mrs. George D. Nichols,

Mrs. Frank Penfield,

Mrs. B. F. Linnell,

Mrs. C. F. Childs,

Mrs. W. J. Campbell,

Mrs. John C. Welling,

Nominating Committee,

Chairman, Mrs. Eugene Price,

Mrs. Henry C. Hackney,

Mrs. F. W. Main,

Mrs. Eugene Price,

Mrs. Lindsey T. Woodcock,

Mrs. L. J. Lamson.

All present were invited to remain for light refreshments, and then the meeting adjourned.

The Woman's Auxiliary Board takes this opportunity to express its appreciation of the services of Mrs. A. C. Cotton, who for three years has served most acceptably as Secretary *pro tem.*, in the absence of the regular Secretary, Miss Elizabeth Gates Ross.

ADDRESS BY DR. JOHN BALCOM SHAW

The personnel of this annual function is to me outstandingly interesting and well-nigh overwhelmingly inspiring. Here is a band of elect ladies who, out of sympathy with suffering humanity and love for Him who suffered for humanity as has no one else, are giving their best efforts to make the work of this institution efficient and beneficent. And behind them and around them is a great company of Christian women, representing something like fifty of the churches of our communion, who are carrying the interests of this noble work upon their hearts because the grace of Christ abides within their hearts. Before our thought, if not actually within our sight, are the Directors of the Hospital, men of high standing in the community, who are guiding its affairs with equal interest and intelligence—as representative a board, I venture to think, as any that meets in our city. Into our survey come also our magnificent staff of physicians and surgeons, who by their exceptional skill have given us a country-wide reputation as a hospital. And with them a goodly group of nurses with their Superintendent, who, though they have not donned that garb, are as truly Sisters of Mercy as any in the land. And in direction of it all is one whose faithfulness to duty and kindliness of spirit have done much to make the institution a model of order, economy and benevolence.

A most inspiring personal array, surely; and yet amid it all, rising above it all, is one whose gracious figure and peerless personality command our chief attention to-day. It is He whose teaching and example inspired the institution and whose name it bears—Jesus of Nazareth, the friend of sinners, the comforter of the distressed, the healer of the sick and the Savior of the lost. He is the founder of this and every other hospital throughout the world, whether the relationship be recognized or not. If it had not been for Jesus, no such work as we are doing would have been initiated. Mohammedanism does not even attempt to emulate it. Buddhism knows nothing like it. Confucius never once dreamed it. It is distinctively, essentially, exclusively Christian.

Well may we, then, stop to-day to recognize this presence and defer to this leadership. As we do so, three great significant words are distinctly spoken to us.

1. The first emphasizes the *physical* element entering into our work. Our Lord's ministry was devoted to two pursuits—teaching and healing—and healing occupied, if not a major, certainly a considerable part of His thought and time. This was doubtless due to His great compassion for humanity, but also because He felt men could better obey and serve Him, and thus more truly fulfill the highest end of their being, if they were given well and vigorous bodies. We follow His example, therefore, when we give importance to physical health and seek to conserve it. In pagan countries, the body is little valued, or, if valued, poorly guarded. Professor Lansing of Cairo told me that most Egyptians expected the majority of their offspring to die and always built a large tomb, where possible, against the time of certain need. We are doing what is only Christian when we give ourselves to the treatment of disease, and, if we wish to honor our Leader, we shall do it in the most approved and successful way. When we adopt the most modern device for curing disease, or call in the most effective skill, we are not simply keeping abreast with the sociological advance of the age, but we are following the leadership of Jesus Christ and making large contributions to the advance of His Kingdom on earth. W. T. Stead once said, when on his first visit to this country, that James Russell Lowell had taught him how to hitch modern philanthropy onto the old, old story of the Cross. One does not need to read poetry to learn that knack; let him walk down the corridors of a modern hospital and touch its work at close hand, and a securer link will be forged for him, and one as vital as it is strong. This is Christ's first word to us to-day—*the sacredness of the physical*.

2. And His second is not less distinguishable. It concerns the *spiritual* factor entering into our work. Healing, according to Jesus—and I cannot forget that a Harvard professor has recently said, "We are now rewriting the whole science of sociology under the influence of the teaching of Jesus"—healing is not to be an isolated or independent charity, but associated with something higher and leading on to something better. If mere healing were the sole and final goal of our work, we should take our places with that ludicrous cult which makes the cure of disease the criterion of religion and concentrates its whole thought upon it. When the state opens a hospital it is, perhaps, not surprising—certainly not in a country like ours, where religion and government are constitutionally kept apart—if it confines its interest exclusively to healing, but when the Church founds and conducts a hospital, it cannot ignore the

spiritual goal of its endeavor without doing dishonor to its Founder and Head, belying its very genius and utterly departing from the teaching and influence of our faith.

My own growing conviction is that, as a rule, Protestants are too much afraid of being officially religious. Not so the Roman Catholics. My parochial duties often take me into Mercy Hospital, and no sooner have I entered the door than I am confronted with the insignia of their faith, and from that moment till I leave there are evidences everywhere of the religious life of that wing of the Christian Church. Nuns' veils and Sisters' habits we would not, of course, have, nor dangling rosaries and crosses, but are the marks of our faith, simple and unpretentious as they are, given sufficient prominence among us? Does prayer figure in our work as it ought? Is Christ held up before the patients as conspicuously and consistently as He deserves to be? Are the soul's interests as openly recognized and ministered to as they need to be? All this is in order to say that, in my judgment, our Presbyterian Church in this city should regard this Hospital as its sacred charge, and, while we could never obtrude our denominationalism upon anyone—patient, nurse or servant—we should regard it our bounden duty not only to give the atmosphere a spiritual tone and coloring, but to put behind all its work a definite Christian motive and aim, its purpose being better to prepare those to whom the eternal summons shall come for the life beyond, and to fit those who shall go out of our doors cured, for a higher and truer life on earth.

3. His third and last word to us is not less important, accentuating the *personal* factor in our work. I can close my eyes and see Jesus come in the days of His flesh into a little Galilean hamlet. The mothers took their sick babies in arms and brought them out to Him. The cripples found their crutches and stumbled out to see Him. All who were unfortunate or infirm sought His aid, knowing He was their true friend and would gladly give them relief were it possible. But with none of them did He deal *en masse*. Presumably, He might have scattered His virtue about among them, as a farmer would have sowed seed, but He did nothing of the sort. Each case was treated separately, and into every life He sought to come personally. We must beware lest we depart from His leadership at this point, and make our work wholesale and general, losing sight of the individual and getting no personal approach to the people to whom we minister. In other words, we must not allow ourselves to grow professional and perfunctory. Woeful the effect, if we do, and far more baneful to ourselves than

to others. I cannot lose sight of the representation which Jesus Himself gave of the final judgment and the basis upon which its decisions are to be reached. We are to be approved and rewarded for just such things as are done beneath this roof daily. "I was an hungered, and ye gave me meat; I was thirsty, and ye gave me drink; I was a stranger, and ye took me in; naked, and ye clothed me; I was sick, and ye visited me; I was in prison, and ye came unto Me." Trivialities and trialities that man himself has forgotten, for the good and the wicked alike ask, "When saw we Thee hungry, or thirsty, or sick, or in prison?" And then comes the answer that should never be allowed to leave our minds: "Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto Me." We are accustomed to the truth that we represent our Lord to men, but this is new—men of the world, the poor, the sick, the imprisoned, all unlikely and unlovable folk, are to us His deputies and representatives, and our treatment of them is construed by Him as personal treatment of Himself. Knowing this, can we fail to give our purest, holiest, personal touch to every patient that comes within our walls?

One night a Russian nobleman was riding home in the bitter cold, and passing a sentinel who stood at his post illy clad, and remembering that a long night was ahead of him, the rider removed his great fur coat and bidding the sentinel don it, he went on his way. He had only a short distance to go, but the change was too great a shock, and he contracted pneumonia and died. Just before his eyes went to sleep, he looked up into his wife's face and said, "I see Jesus standing waiting for me, and would you believe it. He has on the fur coat I gave the sentinel?" Who will say that He was dreaming? "Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto Me."

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WOMAN'S AUXILIARY BOARD OF THE PRESBYTERIAN HOSPITAL OF CHICAGO FOR THE YEAR
ENDING APRIL
1, 1912.

In presenting this third summary of the year's work, it is not our purpose to tax your memory with detailed statistics; they will be found in this year's annual report, but it is our hope that you may "catch the VISION," and, like the prophet of old, "your lips be touched with the live coal from off the altar" and the voice whispering to you in the year to come, "Whom shall I send and who will go for us," and the answer will be, "Here am I, send me."

Though our Woman's Auxiliary Board stands first and foremost for Christian service, yet a most necessary part of our report must be the income to carry on that service. The Finance Committee was somewhat hampered in its work, however, by the loss of its chairman, Mrs. A. B. Dick. The pledge system, one of our important methods of raising money, has been a disappointment this year as to results. Since much of the money passing through the hands of the treasurer has already been appropriated for delicacies, or for the Child's Free Bed Fund, it is necessary, in order to do a proper share toward the furnishings of the hospital, to make our annual payment on the Mary Byrne Memorial room of not less than \$500; to meet our obligations to the Nurses' Training School in the matter of scholarships and loan fund, and to carry on the social service work, that we raise not less than \$5,000.

Because of the fact that we have adopted the pledge system and belong to the Children's Benefit League, all thought of giving a large entertainment has been set aside. We must, therefore, depend entirely upon associate membership dues, active

membership dues, and money by pledges, which combined result this year has not reached the requisite amount. It must, however, be remembered that there was a distinct understanding that all that took part in the "TAG DAY" movement had earned the right to be excused from the pledge effort if they so desired, but the money so raised must of necessity be directly appropriated for the exclusive use of children and in no way helps our Board to meet its various obligations.

By a peculiar coincidence, a comparison of churches taking active part "TAG DAY" and those contributing generously by pledge, show a nearly equal division, which is most satisfactory.

Of the 47 churches enrolled, 22 have responded by pledges; the largest amount, \$525, coming from the Fourth Church; while both the Second, with \$460, and Lake Forest, with \$410, certainly deserve honorable mention. The total amount of pledges this year has been but \$2,676, against \$3,216 last year. We are happy to announce that Mrs. F. W. Leach of the Oak Park First Church has kindly consented to act as temporary chairman.

TAG DAY.

Our efforts as a part of the Children's Benefit League, popularly known as "TAG DAY," have always represented tireless, unselfish service in the effort (though a rather unpleasant duty) to add to our resources. Mrs. Todd reports that they aggregate \$2,242.64, a gain of \$128.38 over 1910. "This increase is very gratifying when it is borne in mind that a greater number of charities affiliated with the league participated, and that a heavy rain toward the close of the day interfered with the activities of the 'Taggers.'

"Of the 47 churches represented on the Woman's Auxiliary Board, 21 had workers in the field on 'TAG DAY.'

Number of taggers	185
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Average collection for individuals....	\$ 12.12
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Average collection for churches.....	106.79
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It has been customary in previous years to designate the churches which have ranked first and second in the sums of money collected. This year the Eighth Church was the leader, with \$370.80 to its credit. Second on the list was the Fullerton Avenue Church, with \$302.01. Of the boxes used exclusively by one 'Tagger' that of Miss Marie W. Little of the Second Church contained the largest sum, \$62.80.

"We may well congratulate the winners for their worthy

achievements, but I am sure that all will agree that the true joy lies not so much in the amount of money obtained, as in the sense of Christian service performed for a noble cause—the welfare of the children. It is the true spirit of ‘TAG DAY’ not to pursue, but simply to receive with smiles and thanks the coins that rain in to the boxes. Young and old, rich and poor, on that day are volunteer philanthropists. With the newsboy’s mite goes his heart, and so with those of fuller purse and larger gifts. The officers of the Children’s Benefit League are bending every effort to preserve this kindly, generous spirit on the part of the public and to encourage in the ‘Taggers’ a deportment that will not cause adverse criticism.”

ASSOCIATE MEMBERSHIP.

Miss Stillwell, as chairman of the Associate Membership Committee, continues this feeling of joy over work well done and rewards well earned when she reports, “\$1,418 and 855 members, an increase over last year’s report. The committee wish to express their appreciation of the good work done by the women of the various churches in collecting funds for this branch of the work. Of the 43 churches appealed to, 38 have sent associate membership dues, 22 have increased their gifts, 7 decreased, and 2 have given the same amount as last year. Seven new churches have contributed. The Fourth Church has given the largest amount.” The ideal of all Christian work being direct giving, we view with satisfaction the work of this faithful committee.

CHILD’S FREE BED.

No work is quite complete unless the children have their share in it and this has an added value when it has the effect of educating them along lines of direct giving and doubly appeals to them when they are taught to realize that it is children’s work for children. The Committee for the Child’s Free Bed Fund hoped that there would come through the various Sunday schools such an amount that they could make the claim that the Sunday schools of Chicago Presbytery stood sponsor for four free beds, and though the total of \$883.59 would seem to have nearly reached the amount for three of them, the real truth is \$197 of that sum is a balance from last year, while the Sunday schools this year have contributed but \$686.56, \$17 of which has come from the Hinsdale Congregational Church. Highest honor must be given the First Church, whose Sunday school, with its annual contribution of \$300, entirely supports one child’s

free bed. Of the 32 Sunday schools contributing, 8 have gained, 9 have lost, and 9 did not contribute that did last year. Mrs. F. W. Main reports "that the committee feels very much encouraged by the interest manifested and the request from several schools for fuller information. Talks were given by our president and the committee chairman, resulting in generous donations and increased appreciation of the work. In various schools individual classes pledged their help. In more than one school the little ones of the primary hoarded their pennies for this fund, and in one of our churches a 'Woman's Thimble Club' contributed largely. The committee is pleased to report seven new contributing Sunday schools as follows: Seventh Church, Central Park, Chicago Heights, Crerar Memorial, Millard Avenue, and Roseland. It has reason to be grateful for the measure of success crowning the efforts of the past twelve months, and to be optimistic for the future of the Child's Free Bed Fund."

YOUNG WOMAN'S LEAGUE.

We turn our attention to the Young Women's League Committee with a great deal of pleasure, realizing what large things the future has in store. Our young Presbyterian women, of whom a larger and larger per cent are college bred, oftentimes feel their need of special activity at the close of the college course, which impulse should at once be turned to account for the various departments of the great Church of God. The committee is still without a chairman, but in such a flourishing condition that it is expected that many members of this Board would wish to fill this office. (?) We are glad to report that within the bounds of this organization the following circles have been enrolled: The Girls' Friendly Club of Central Park Church, the Silver Cross Circle of the Eighth Church, the Girls' Circle of Austin Church, the Westminster Guild Chapter of Edgewater Church, the Willing Workers and Busy Bee Circles of Lake View Church, the Silver Cross Circle of Normal Park Church, and the Senior Choir and Jubalite Chorus of the Third Church. Believing that a greater interest is maintained where there is a money investment, no matter how small, it is the aim of the Young Women's League to interest the young people of our churches to such an extent that they will support the social service scholarship in our Nurses' Training School, which is one of the scholarships to which this Board is obligated. In this way the young people will be educated to have a combined interest in both hospital and training school. The Edgewater Westminster

Guild Chapter has assumed two months, or \$20, on that scholarship; the Senior Choir of Third Church one month, or \$10.

LINEN COMMITTEE.

The Linen Committee found itself facing a delicate problem when it met to consider ways and means of gathering in the linen supplies for the hospital, lest they poach upon their neighbor's "preserves" in more senses than one. Not to interfere with the Delicacy, the Child's Free Bed, the Children's Benefit League and Associate Membership Committees, was a question hard to decide, and Mrs. Hackney tells us "that it was not until February did they triumph, when it was decided to have an Easter Linen Offering. The time was short (our annual meeting this year taking place before Easter) and the undertaking experimental. The report is, therefore, very incomplete, but up to date the receipts are as follows:

In money	\$343
313 articles, estimated value of which is.....	157
Which totals so far.....	440

The report in full may be found in the next issue of the 'Bulletin.' "

DELICACIES.

Mrs. C. A. Reed, chairman of the Committee on Delicacies, takes great pleasure in reporting that the churches this year have been more generous than ever before in their gifts to the hospital, not only in quantity received, but in quality also. An interesting fact develops this year that the money handed to the committee is about equal to the absolute monetary value, at a low estimate, of the articles contributed; the former being equal to \$552.75 in money and the latter amounting to \$550. We found the hospital, therefore, richer by over \$1,100 through the efforts of this committee. It will be interesting to note in passing that about 3,092 glasses of jelly, 506 jars of preserves, and 545 bottles of grape juice, besides quantities of fresh fruits, cereals, crackers and other things palatable to the sick, have been sent in. At Thanksgiving time the hospital was most kindly remembered with 320 lbs. of turkey, 100 lbs. each of candy and nuts, besides other necessities which go to make up this truly American feast.

So far in this report we have dwelt largely upon receipts, but now let us turn to the still more interesting expenditures of money, and strength in service.

FURNISHING COMMITTEE.

Beginning with the report of the Furnishing Committee, submitted by Mrs. Henry M. Curtis, we find that it has expended approximately \$6,000 during the past year. This is the largest amount paid for furnishings in the history of the hospital. She adds: "We are grateful to those who have enabled us to add to the comfort of the sick by the purchasing of sheets, pillow-slips, counterpanes, damask napkins, china, glass, silverware, etc. The churches, as usual, have done a generous amount of sewing, having hemmed 1,227 napkins, 3,980 towels, made 348 gowns, 85 bags, 16 nightingales. It is with pleasure that we take this opportunity to thank the Needlework Guild of America for the quality of the 247 useful and dainty garments received, as well as to commend the churches for their industry and help.

SOCIAL SERVICE.

The Social Service Committee reports its second year of work through Mrs. John Balcom Shaw, its chairman, "with the sincere hope that it has been of value to the hospital and to those to whom it has ministered."

"No adequate estimate can be made of its ministrations, but the assistance rendered, the sympathy extended, the kindly attentions given and the efforts exerted to make those who have been unfortunate to regain health and protect it, have been extended in the spirit of love and helpfulness.

Miss Person's serious accident interfered to some extent with the work, but she makes the following report for the year:

Cases carried over from previous year.....	76
New cases during year	526
Calls received (in office)	528
Letters written	270
Calls made	966
Money used for relief	\$115.36
Money used for loans	43.17
Money returned on loans	19.52

Pieces of clothing given (new and second hand), 516. Special gifts of money to meet some special need are reported by the treasurer and are included in the amount expended for relief.

We wish to acknowledge the help given to our patients by the many philanthropic agencies of the city, who have so kindly

co-operated with us in our plans; to the Hospital Committee of the Junior League; to those who made possible the Fresh Air Work during the summer months and to all friends who have assisted us in this kindly service of helpfulness and good will.

In anticipation of another year of service, we would remind ourselves that "the strong shall help the weak and so fulfill the law of love."

TRAINING SCHOOL FOR NURSES.

If the Social Service work has brought us face to face with this world of want and suffering, we turn to Mrs. Herrick's report of the Training School for Nurses, feeling that here is this need partially met. She says: "The Nurses' Training School Committee has co-operated with the superintendent of the schools in the preparation of its program for the graduation of its nurses. Last year Dr. Bevan gave the medical address, and Dr. Hardin represented the ministry in an inspiring talk. Miss Jeanette Holmes gave most graciously her charming voice in song. This year its graduating exercises will take place April 30 at three in the afternoon, when we hope to have Prof. Graham Taylor address the nurses along the line of social service. This, we feel, will be of special interest, as the Woman's Board offers scholarships to nurses who will devote themselves to this or foreign missionary service. The Rev. Hugh T. Kerr, D. D., of the Fullerton Avenue Church will represent the Presbyterian clergy. A new scholarship has been added this past year to the scholarships already established and an additional scholarship will be given each ensuing year, thus keeping the number of scholarships three.

The Woman's Auxiliary Board has also made temporary loans to nurses needing financial assistance, so that it is now aiding the school to the extent of \$40 a month. The Board has also paid its annual pledge of \$500 to the hospital toward the \$5,000 promised for the Nurses' Alumni Association Memorial Room, making a total of \$1,500 paid thus far."

HOSPITAL BULLETIN.

"The Bulletin Committee continues the effort to send out tidings of the good works done within and without our hospital, but still at a large financial loss. The total cost of the Bulletin has been \$138.25, while we can report only thirty-four subscriptions, leaving a deficit of \$123.05, which must be met by our unappropriated funds." "Every third month," continues Mrs. Janney,

"we publish 500 copies of our little magazine, hoping that the knowledge thus scattered and the interest awakened will compensate for this large deficit."

DEVOTIONAL COMMITTEE.

In a great hospital there are many forces conspiring to the recovery of those committed to its care. The skill of physicians and surgeons, the faithful ministry of nurses and all the technique of a modern institution for the care of the sick is brought to bear upon the problems of relieving suffering and restoring health, and not the least of these forces is the work of the Visiting and Devotional Committee. In the work of healing, the best results require that the mind and spirits of the patient be treated as well as the body. "Homesickness" and "heartsickness" often retard the processes of recovery, and these maladies are best treated by the kindly visits from some sympathetic soul who knows the power of the Great Physician. And this Committee is trying to do just this kind of work—bringing cheer and comfort and encouragement at a time when such ministry is most needed.

Mrs. Seldon says: "During the year over 2,300 visits have been made. Our Vice-Chairman, Mrs. Janet H. Small, remained in the city last summer through the period of extremely hot weather, and, with a physician's regularity, made her visits at the hospital. Three others who have rendered faithful service on this committee are Mesdames Frank K. Hoover, J. Earl Ford and A. A. Lincoln. Letters to distant friends have been written for patients; flowers have been furnished; and in some cases where conditions demanded it, substantial aid has been given. Expressions of gratitude and appreciation for the care and attention received at the hospital have been abundant, and the good work of the committee is fully attested by the gratitude of the many patients made happy by a friendly visit."

COMMITTEE ON ENTERTAINMENT.

A further effort to mitigate the hardships incident upon separation from loved ones and long confinement is planned by the Entertainment Committee with Miss Wilhelmina White as chairman. It did not begin its work as early as usual, the first entertainment being given in December. Since then there have been six given as follows: Third Church Young People, under direction of Miss Florence Pattison; Co-educational Club Chorus; the Eighth Church Young People, under the direction of the organist, Miss Burgess; the Young People's Society of Edgewater Church; the Young

People's Society of Hinsdale Congregational Church, and one afternoon by members of the Junior League. Special mention must be given to the Edgewater Church, whose young people, though employed during the day, gave up Saturday afternoon and brought flowers. It was their gift of flowers that formed the precedent for the bouquet of flowers in the chapel service, the flowers then being distributed as the patients leave the chapel.

While there may have been more artistic entertainments, nothing afforded the patients more pleasure than the Mandolin Club, composed of five boys in knee breeches from Hinsdale Congregational Church. Three young ladies from there, under the care of Mrs. Coffeen, did their full share in most fitting and amusing recitations, also rendering vocal solos.

The most artistic entertainment of the winter was given by members of the Junior League, an organization of young women (with chapters in different cities) devoted to philanthropic work. This entertainment at the hospital was given by the Hospital Entertainment Committee of the Chicago organization.

CHRISTMAS ENTERTAINMENT.

The Christmas entertainment, under the direction of Mrs. W. B. Martin, which of course is *the* entertainment of the year, needs little mention, as it has already been published in the January Bulletin. Suffice it to say the hospital is not only indebted to the committee for the enjoyable evening, but to Mr. W. B. Martin as well, whose generosity made possible the expert vaudeville performer of the occasion.

LIBRARY COMMITTEE.

Not by any means the least of the efforts of this Board to provide solace for long, lonely hours of suffering and convalescence is the effort of the Library Committee to supply the patients with good reading matter. Miss Annie Smalls reports "the committee as having met regularly, refilling and replenishing the cases on each floor. The committee had a book shower and are very grateful to all who have donated either books or magazines.

"After many years of longing for suitable quarters in which to do its work, we are pleased to report that arrangements have been made by which commodious and light rooms are to be placed at our service with the opening of the Jane Murdock Memorial building. We shall then be better equipped to care for and handle the new books that we hope the members of this Board will contribute."

While chapel services are in no way under the supervision of

this Board, yet we are actively interested in them. At the request of the Chaplain, we have promised that there shall be flowers for each service, and in accordance with this promise recently made, Mrs. John B. Lord furnished them for the month of February; Mrs. W. J. Aiken for March, except one Sunday when they were supplied by Mrs. A. A. Lincoln, and Mrs. William Coffeen has arranged for the month of April.

Music, always a special feature of the services, has been in charge of Miss Florence Pattison, a member of our board, but as Miss Pattison has accepted a church position as soprano soloist, the chaplain thinks it advisable that a Music Committee be appointed to make definite arrangements for services.

It is with a sense of great satisfaction that we review this year of work, and its many tasks well done—all under the leadership of our matchless president, Mrs. D. W. Graham. But may we also look upon it in the spirit of an "honored discontent" and a firm resolve that the Woman's Auxiliary Board of this Great Presbyterian Hospital use this as a steppingstone to higher things, "and then forgetting the things which are behind and stretching forward unto those things which are before, we press toward the goal for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus."

MRS. FRANK A. HOSMER.

NOTES FROM THE TREASURER

A few facts in regard to the balance in the treasury reported at the annual meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary Board on April 1, 1912.

This balance, \$4,892.94, less \$573.98 credited to special funds, is the amount in the General Fund, the fund to carry on the pledged work of the Board. By the workings of the Pledge-System Fund—a method used the last two years of raising money—the entire amount contributed in 1911-12 becomes available at the beginning of the new fiscal year. That, with the Easter Linen Offering, and part of the Associate Membership Fund, constitutes our resources for the work of 1912-13. For, aside from the active memberships of \$2.00 now due, practically no money is received to be credited to the General Fund until next February, when the associate memberships begin to come into the treasury.

The money received during the year, amounting to a goodly sum, comes in for special objects, such as Free Beds, Child's Free Bed Fund from the various Sunday schools, Delicacies Fund, Christmas Fund and special social service gifts. Even the Tag Day collection, which has netted such a large sum, has not stayed in the treasury long enough to more than seem a fund belonging to the Woman's Auxiliary Board before it goes to the Board of Managers for the use of children.

The obligations to be met by the General Fund are:

Social Service	\$1,200
Mary Byrne Memorial Room.....	500
Scholarships in Training School	360
Loan Fund (approximately)	150
Expenses (approximately)	400
Bulletin (approximately)	100
Furnishings	1,500
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	\$4,210

In addition to these obligations it may be assumed that unexpected calls will be made on the General Fund.

These demands on the treasury will be met, but only by

foresight and continued effort can the Woman's Auxiliary Board be ready to meet the obligations of the coming year.

The work of the year just ended has been most gratifying, the total receipts, \$17,033.37, and the receipts due entirely to our efforts, \$10,805.25. The treasurer hopes to present an even more encouraging report the coming year.

ROSE B. MASON, Treasurer.

Miss McMillan, Principal of the Nurses' Training School, Sends Us the Following Notes:

Miss Cora V. Johnson, a graduate of 1907 of the school, has held the position of supervisor of nursing in the hospital since the departure and marriage of Miss Denne in the winter.

Miss Julia Chubbuck, '08, for several years on the nursing staff of the hospital, was appointed directress of nursing of the Rockford Hospital, and left in January to fill the appointment.

Miss Alice Snow, '08, for some time head nurse of "D" floor, has been appointed to the position of supervisor. Mrs. Bowen, a graduate of the school of 1909, has succeeded Miss Snow on Floor "D."

Miss Anne Simon, 1910, for a year a surgical nurse in the hospital, was married March 30 to Dr. E. A. Edgerton of Pittsburgh, where they will live for the present.

Miss Carrie E. Gullickson, 1911, has received the appointment in the operating room made vacant by Miss Simon's resignation.

On account of the immediate occupancy of the Murdock Building, several positions which have been without graduate head nurses for a number of months have been filled recently. Miss Mary White and Miss Vera Smith, both members of this year's graduating class, have been given head nurseships on the sixth floor and in the operating room. Miss Isabelle Towne, 1910, will take charge of the fourth floor. Miss Lucille Knight, a member of the first class to graduate from the Children's Memorial Hospital and who has had a year's training in this hospital, is head nurse of the Children's Department.

At the graduating exercises of the school, held at the Home

on April 30, at 3 o'clock, thirty-six nurses were presented with diplomas and pins. This is the largest class the school has ever graduated.

Owing to the fact that it seems possible, by rearrangement of the schedule of instruction, to accomplish in three years the training which, somewhat experimentally for eight years, has covered a period of three years and six months, it has been decided to reduce the course in the school to three years, thus saving to the student nurse six months of her time. This is regarded in no way a lowering of standard, but merely, after a sufficient trial, a return to the original period of training. This change, which starts with the fall class, was voted upon by the members of the School Committee and by the Alumnae Association of the school.

The Triangle Club of Princeton, through Mr. Harold F. Smith, sent fifty tickets to the nurses for the entertainment held in the Auditorium, Monday, April 8. Needless to say, the nurses who were able to attend thoroughly enjoyed themselves, and the extended invitation was much appreciated by the school.

Mr. F. Wight Neumann, for the past two or three years, has been most thoughtful of the nurses of the school, a number of times each winter inviting "all who are able to go" to hear good music. The last two invitations were to attend the recitals given by Bonci and by Zomelli.

CHAPEL NOTES

We note with great regret, while we rejoice at the unanimous call (which he has accepted) that has come to our chaplain, Rev. F. W. Barr, from the Presbyterian Church of Sterling, Ill. In the year that Mr. Barr has been connected with our hospital, he has endeared himself to all with whom he has come in contact. His cheery presence and words of sympathy have brought comfort to many who were sick in mind and body.

Chapel services at 11 a. m. have been well attended. Mr. Barr assumes his new duties May 1, at which time Rev. J. Van Berger, a graduate of this year's class at McCormick Theological Seminary, becomes chaplain of the hospital.

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**Subscriptions, 50 Cents a Year, may be sent to Asa Bacon,
Superintendent, The Presbyterian Hospital of Chicago.**

EDITORIAL.

This issue of the Bulletin contains a full account of the opening and dedication of the Jane Murdoch Memorial Building.

As this building is devoted to the use of women and children it is fitting that space be given to tell of the work done for children by the Woman's Auxiliary Board. First, it asks that the cause of the hospital be presented to Sabbath schools, hoping thereby not only to secure an annual contribution to the Child's Free Bed Fund but to educate and create a permanent interest in the hospital in the children and young people upon whom the work of the future will devolve.

That the interest has greatly increased in the last few years is evidenced in the contributions, which have nearly quadrupled.

Second, once a year an appeal to the general public is made for contributions by means of the Chicago Children's Benefit League. An opportunity is thus given to many who could be reached in no other way to help in caring for those children of all nationalities in our hospital, three-quarters of whom are there as charity patients.

This public appeal is not an agreeable service to render, yet many members of the Auxiliary Board grant it willingly and not unfrequently feel well repaid in the courteous treatment and words of encouragement received from those contributing. So, criticize and scorn us not, when on "Tag Day" in October we appear on the streets properly equipped, in the interest of our Children's Department. Grant us, rather, words of commendation and a generous contribution.

DEDICATION OF THE JANE MURDOCH MEMORIAL BUILDING.

The Jane Murdoch Memorial Building was opened for use during the month of June. The dedicatory services were held on Sunday afternoon, June 9th, at three o'clock, with the President of the Board, Mr. Day, presiding.

In the invocation Dr. Freeman, acting pastor of the First Church, voiced the spirit of the meeting as he said in his prayer: "We thank Thee for the action that brings us together on this fair day in the name of Jesus, we give Thee thanks for this house to be devoted to the administration of Thy work of pity, to be dedicated to the ministering graciousness of the Healer, to the comforting of the sick and suffering, especially among women and children."

Dr. Martin D. Hardin, pastor of the Third Church, read the scripture lesson in 1st Corinthians, the thirteenth chapter.

In his remarks Mr. Day gave the history of the bequest and the decision of the Trustees in regard to the will of Mr. Murdoch.

ADDRESS OF MR. ALBERT M. DAY.

We are met here together this afternoon as friends, formally to dedicate our new building, which is called the Jane Murdoch Memorial. The late Mr. Thomas Murdoch, for many years prominent in this city as an honorable and able merchant, and also as a devoted Presbyterian, died Dec. 25, 1909. The residuary estate, amounting to about two millions of dollars, he willed was to be divided between the Young Men's Christian Association, American Sunday School Union and the Presbyterian Hospital. The will stipulated that "the said gift to The Presbyterian Hospital of Chicago be used in establishing and endowing a department of the Hospital owned and controlled by said corporation, for women or children or both; and such endowment shall be called the Jane Murdoch Memorial Fund, in memory of my sister Jane." The Trustees of the will decided that the intent of Mr. Murdoch would be best fulfilled by the erection of a building where the department named can be administered to the best advantage. In accordance with this decision, the Board of Managers of the Hospital proceeded to the erection of this building, on the site of what was known as the Ross-Hamill wing. This latter building, the first occupied by the Hospital, was named in honor of Drs. Joseph P. Ross and Robert C. Hamill,

strong friends of the Hospital in its early and struggling days, and members of its staff. At the time of its erection, fireproof construction was not known, and of late years the building has been very inadequate. But it served its purpose well in its day, and while it has given way to one better adapted to present conditions and requirements, this new building will continue to be in a sense a memorial to those devoted men, and will carry a tablet stating that it stands on the site of the original building, which was named in their honor.

The Jane Murdoch Memorial Building represents the best fireproof construction, and is furnished with all the most approved appliances.

It has a Maternity of 34 beds, Children's Department, 23 beds; 5 wards, 10 beds each; one of 4 beds; nine rooms; and 4 wards of three beds each for the isolation of contagious diseases which may occur while patients are in the Hospital, a total of 132 beds. There is a sun parlor and open-air pavilion on the roof, where the children can be taken, and if necessary can be kept permanently. A large space is given to the pathological department, and the laboratory in its equipment and arrangement has no superior. The Hospital has taken a prominent position in its X-Ray work, and in this building is a suite of rooms for this department, which has all the modern appliances and every approved apparatus. The facilities in these two departments, for examinations, for research and for accurate decisions in diagnosis, are the result of careful study on the part of the best authorities whose suggestions have been carried out without regard to expense. Rooms for internes, with their dining rooms, baths and recreation room, are on the first floor. In the basement is the kitchen, fully equipped with all modern conveniences, large refrigerators for all kinds of food, and general store rooms. The refrigerators are all cooled by the refrigerating plant in the power house, obviating the use of ice. Much thought has been given to the arrangements for duty rooms, serving rooms, and all necessities for such administration as will give the best possible care to the patients. Every detail was carefully considered by the Superintendent, Mr. Bacon, and Miss McMillan, with the operating heads of every department, and while every unnecessary expense was rigidly eliminated, nothing was omitted which would contribute to the welfare of patients, and to the proper administration of the work.

This magnificent bequest of Mr. Murdoch, the largest gift ever made to the Hospital, marks a second great step in its advancement which began with the large bequest of the late Daniel A. Jones in

1886. If there were no need for additional buildings, the Hospital could be said to be established. Our work for the sick could be carried on in a plant entirely fireproof, with the best facilities, and sanitary appliances, and we should be able with the gifts that come to us yearly greatly to increase our charity work. But the imperative necessity for a Nurses Home, which shall adequately and properly house our nurses, compels us to continue our building operations. Within the next 12 months, we expect to have this Home completed, with a capacity for 150 nurses, and immediately opposite the Hospital on Congress Street. This building, with the land comprising the entire block between Wood Street and Hermitage Avenue, is expected to cost \$350,000.00. Of this amount we have \$100,000.00, given by the friends of the late Mr. O. S. A. Sprague, for a memorial to him. The Board of Managers hesitated for a long time to incur this debt of \$250,000.00, but finally realized that it was imperative, if we are to continue our present standard of efficiency. Therefore, we are going forward with the full belief that our friends will, at an early day, enable us to discharge this indebtedness, and to own our plant free of all encumbrance.

This building should stand for many years as a memorial to Jane Murdoch, and to Thos. Murdoch who provided for it in such a generous manner. And the example of this rare generosity, and thoughtful remembrance of the needs of the sick and poor of this city, should prove an inspiration to others, inciting more gifts until this Hospital can come to the full measure of its usefulness.

ADDRESS OF REV. JOHN TIMOTHY STONE.

The Fourth Church has evidenced so much interest in the Hospital that it seemed most appropriate that Dr. John Timothy Stone, the pastor, who is also a member of the Clerical Board of the Hospital, should speak at this service. He said in part:

"I suppose it is without doubt true that the Presbyterian Church has had somewhat of a share in the erection and maintenance of almost every hospital in the land; at least in encouragement and Christian sympathy if not in actual means.

"It is sometimes affirmed that we have been more generous than just, and have overlooked our own in seeing and assisting others. True, we have as a church taken a stand to assist and encourage all public utility, and in so doing have emulated our Master's example, but we have a very definite duty to perform to our own institutions, and this building dedicated this afternoon prompts us to greater endeavor. Work such as that of this Hospital gives the world the

spirit and blessing of practical Christianity without regard for creed, race or standing.

"The public recognize the spirit and life of Jesus Christ when we care for the sick, and seek to relieve the suffering. The first year I was in Chicago when calling one afternoon I met a family without creed or church touch. The father finally said when he learned that I was a Presbyterian minister, 'Oh, yes, they run the Hospital on the West Side.' He had a little son who had been injured, and he knew us as those who helped when help was needed. This is a reputation which assists and honors the Church of Christ."

Dr. Stone added a testimony from one of the leading physicians of China as to the place and power of the Missionary hospitals, physicians and nurses there. How this work had led to all other forms of helpful entrance into the hearts of the people there. He applied the illustration to our own Hospital and the work in Chicago.

"No one need thoughtfully say that it is necessary to go outside the Church of God to find practical Christian work.

"The wise and permanent investment of such a building and work as this is too evident to need emphasis. As God has given brains and abilities to some men and women to accumulate means so He has given to some the grace and insight to use such means in so far-reaching and helpful a manner. May God give to many more the inspiration and ability to carry out the splendid projects and plans of the large and increasing work of this Hospital and our Nurses' Home."

Dr. James B. Herrick, President of the Medical Board of the Hospital, representing the Medical Staff, gave the next address.

ADDRESS BY DR. JAMES B. HERRICK.

The Presbyterian Hospital was founded with two high purposes, the caring for the sick and to aid in medical education. The Jane Murdoch Memorial Building enables the Hospital as never before to fulfil these two functions. We shall be able better than ever before to care for the sick, particularly those of moderate means, and for the children and women. We shall further be able to do much better, more scientific, and more thorough work because of the aid that we shall receive from these laboratories to which Mr. Day has already made reference. The hospital that confines itself solely to the treatment of the sick is somewhat dwarfed. To be kept alive and progressive it should have the stimulus of the necessity of instructing young, active, wide-awake undergraduates, internes and nurses. This addition to the hospital gives us these facilities for

instructing the undergraduates in the college, the internes and nurses; it offers to the staff the opportunity of acquiring more knowledge, and it also gives us added facilities for work in research.

Just a word regarding research in its relation to the hospital. By medical research, we understand the desire to add to the sum of knowledge concerning the human body and its functions, the human body in disease, and the causes, the means of warding off, and of curing disease. It is the desire to find out something that was not previously known, concerning illness. Unless this spirit of research is in a hospital, unless it pervades the various branches of the medical institution, the educational function of the hospital languishes, and the atmosphere becomes stale; things fail to progress, and the patients suffer. The Presbyterian Hospital has been peculiarly fortunate in its relation to research workers. There have always been cordial relations between research in Rush Medical College and the Presbyterian Hospital. The same cordial relations have existed between the workers in the McCormick Memorial Institute for Infectious Diseases and the Presbyterian Hospital; and lately friendly relations of advantage to both parties have been entered into with the Otho A. Sprague Institute workers in problems of research. To us in the Hospital this means a great deal. You have no idea what a stimulus it is for us of the medical staff, to be in constant touch with these progressive men, who are trying to find out new things; and you have no idea how helpful it has been, to be able to call upon these workers, who are so closely related to us. We call upon their professional and expert skill oftener than you would perhaps realize.

And yet no matter what view we may take, the central figure in the Hospital is, and should be the patient. Are we doing our full duty to these patients? Are we nursing them carefully? Are we treating them sanely and as conscientiously as we can? When we send them home restored in health, is it not one of our functions still to help and to train the patients in various ways? Do not say that duty ceases when they leave the hospital. Can we not then help to instruct them, to train them after they leave the Hospital? I do not refer to those little lessons of obedience to authority, lessons in cleanliness, in the rights of others, which are inculcated every day by conduct of nurses, and I trust of physicians. I do not refer to this. I refer to a work which is philanthropic, work such as that referred to by Dr. Stone. It is practical Christianity. It implies that we are to see in the patient in the Hospital something more than

a sick animal, we are to treat the patient as a man. It includes the study of environment, it includes the study of home conditions, it includes the lending of a helpful hand, to prevent his again falling a prey to illness.

There are three ways to which I refer, ways in which I believe we must help the patient after he has left the hospital. In the first place, and this involves the fundamental principle underlying this other work, we can extend to him real genuine sympathy. To extend help because he is an object of charity, or is of scientific interest to the physician, robs the work of its usefulness. We must see in him not merely a creature, not a lodger who is occupying a bed at so much per day, not the embodiment of disease or an interesting case, not material for clinic, but we must see in each one of these patients a man. No matter how rough the exterior, no matter how uncouth or uncultured he may be, deep somewhere he has a heart. If you prick him, does he not bleed, and if you look at his blood under a microscope can you tell any difference between his red corpuscles and yours? Extend to him the right hand of fellowship as man to man.

The second way in which it seems to me a hospital can do good along these lines, is instruction in matters medical and hygienic. It is no new thought. It is in the air. It has been done in other hospitals, and here. To illustrate my point; it is not enough for us to take a sickly child into these new quarters that have been provided, to restore that child to health and strength, and then send it home to be cared for by a mother who is unfit to do this. There must be a follow-up treatment, visits to the home to see that directions are carried out. It is being done by the Infant Welfare Society and by other organizations, and we must be in close touch with work of this character. I hope some day we shall see near this Hospital or on these grounds a separate pavilion for children; and in that pavilion one of the main features should be a department which shall have to do with Infant Welfare work; where mothers can learn how to care for infants and children. For other examples; personal instruction to adults in matters of dietetics, personal instruction as regards preventable and contagious disease. We say to a patient "You have tuberculosis, you must be careful, go home and do not communicate it to other members of your family." This is nothing. It is the detail of the management that counts and this can be taught only by direct home instruction. Then there is another group of patients; we see them it seems in almost in-

numerable numbers, the so-called "nervous patients." We call them neurotics, neurasthenics; they may have hysteria, may be hypochondriac; they are sick and not sick. They need treatment. It is not needful to prescribe medicine, nor helpful to say, "there is nothing the matter with you." This does not cure them. They are ill. They need treatment just as much as a child with a crooked back needs a brace and gymnastics. So these minds need braces, mental gymnastics. We are not treating them here as we should, we cannot. There is much that might be done if we had workers who could instruct these patients, and better still, if there were a department, a separate building, in which this class of cases, "nervous cases," could be taken in and treated in a thoroughly scientific and up-to-date manner, together with those temporarily but not hopelessly alienated from mental health. The amount of good which a department of this kind would accomplish is inestimable.

Lastly, and this needs no illustration, we ought to help patients materially, financially. We send home a patient convalescent after typhoid, and he may go to work too soon. A social worker can see that he does not. We send away a patient with a diagnosis of tuberculosis of the lungs, and say to him, "Your case is curable, you need a change of climate, go to Colorado or Florida." We might just as well tell him to take his family to Carlsbad. How can he do it on \$60 a month? He cannot follow the advice. He should be put in touch with tuberculosis sanitariums, a worker should see that he has different employment, financial aid. A patient may have lead poisoning, and you tell him to change his employment. How can he do it? A word to employers will oftentimes change harmful conditions, and will put the worker where he will not again be exposed to the cause of his illness. A little incident occurred which illustrates what can be done along these lines of material help. I do not know the patient but I have heard the incident. A patient in this hospital lost his leg. It had to be amputated, because of disease or injury. The patient was a worker. The surgeon said, "Go home and get a wooden leg and earn your living." Miss Persons looked into the matter and found it would cost \$60 for a wooden leg. He did not have it but that was what he needed, \$60 for a wooden leg. She found the money, she collected it from others. The first \$10 was given by the surgeon who amputated the leg.

This is practical Christianity, sociology, philanthropy, and these are the things, it seems to me, we are in a position to practice as never before. And so we of the staff with the other members of

this institution, rejoice in the erection of this Jane Murdoch Memorial Building, and we see that it gives us greater opportunity for treating the sick, greater opportunities for training internes, nurses and undergraduates. We feel that it offers wide opportunities for doing good, and of development along these lines of which I have spoken. What I have said is not in criticism of our social workers, but rather to endorse the efforts made by the Ladies' Board in the last two years, the work done through committees, and through various other persons. I know this meets with the hearty support of the members of the Board of Managers, and I may say it will certainly meet with encouragement and help from the members of the staff.

ADDRESS BY REV. JOHN BALCOM SHAW.

Mr. Murdoch having been a member of the Second Church, the pastor of that church, who is also a member of the Clerical Board, Dr. John Balcom Shaw, fittingly made the closing address and dedicatory prayer. He said:

"I do not know whether I should regard myself the most fortunate of the speakers this afternoon, or the most unfortunate. I was notified that I was to make the dedicatory prayer, and when the program came it intimated that I was to make the address, but now I am announced to do both. I am glad of the opportunity to say a word upon this occasion, because the church of which I am the minister is more interested in this building, perhaps, than any other church of the Presbytery; certainly it is more intimately related to it, Mr. Murdoch having been a member of our congregation for many years. I did not have the privilege of knowing his sister, for whom this building was named, but I did know him and stood in close relations with him. He was a kindly man, interested particularly in sociological work and especially that which ministers to the sick and to little children. This building is a memorial in the best sense to him as well as to his sister.

To-day we are to dedicate this building, and that means something religious, or it means nothing. We are not simply to devote it to the good of humanity, but we are to consecrate it to God and invoke upon the work to be conducted here the divine blessing.

Three things should be true of the work of our Hospital. First, there should be an open recognition of God and our obligation to Him in all the work done here. You can make people think of God without preaching to them. It is the Christian atmosphere that should pervade this building. Atmosphere is like personality, you

cannot define it, but it is unmistakable and you recognize it as soon as you come in contact with it. May the atmosphere of this pavilion ever be distinctively Christian!

The second thing which I covet for the work here is that it shall ever be done in the spirit of Jesus Christ, those who minister to the sick, feeling themselves in very truth His representatives and manifesting His spirit in the fulfillment of all their duties.

The third thing which I desire for this memorial is the spiritual, as well as the physical, betterment of all who sojourn under its roof. I quite agree with Dr. Herrick that we are not treating animals, but men and women, and yet I would go further and say that we are dealing with immortal souls. We can heal the bodies of men and send them back physically whole, and yet give them no advantage that will accrue to them in the long stretch of eternity. Our final aim should be that every one who goes out from the care of this Hospital should be more interested in their spiritual condition and live lives more worthy of the sons of God.

For this reason I feel that we shall not consecrate this building to-day unless all who have to do with its work, in some real sense, dedicate themselves to Him to whose glory it has been erected and in whose Name its work is to be conducted. I pray God that this may be such a service for us all. To that end let us now unite in prayer.

O God, most merciful and most gracious, from whom cometh every high desire and every noble purpose, who art the fountain of life and the source of all beneficence, we give Thee earnest thanks for Thy servant who has made this building possible; for his love toward Thee and his devotion to humanity; for his eager desire to benefit mankind as expressed in this memorial, whereby "he being dead shall yet speak." We accept this trust as from Thee, O God, and conscious of our responsibility, we offer ourselves to Thee this day in a new devotion and dedication. Upon all who shall have to do with the prosecution of the work of this building, we invoke Thy heavenly blessing. May they ever be actuated by the spirit of kindness and love, and have as their sole aim the betterment of humankind and the establishment of the Kingdom of our Lord on the earth. Anoint, we beseech Thee, the doctors and officers upon our Staff, breathing into all their hearts Thy tender love and making them to be but Thy servants and instruments. May it please Thee to bless the Superintendent and all who stand related to him in the care of the patients of this Hospital, that upon them may come at this time the healthful spirit of Thy grace, and in their service to those who

shall come to this place they may show forth the honor of Jesus Christ and magnify the riches of His grace. O God of the Cross and the Throne, God of the Church and the Mercy Seat, the Triune God, eternal, infinite and holy, to Thee we now dedicate this building. Set Thou Thy seal upon it. Breathe Thy spirit into all its rooms. Lift upon it and its work the light of Thy countenance, and further and favor its work in all time to come.

Hear us also in behalf of those who are ill in this Hospital to-day, that it may be Thy good pleasure to give healing to their bodies and comfort and grace to their souls. Lord Jesus, come now with all Thy gracious presence into this place. Lift the little children into Thine arms, lay Thy hand upon the aged brow, let the faint lie upon Thy breast, speak in tenderness to such as are soon to die, and finally bring us all into Thine eternal presence, where there is no more sickness or death, but where we shall abide with Thee in perfect beauty and health and joy throughout eternity. And unto Thee, the Father, the Son and the Holy Ghost, one God blessed for evermore, shall be all honor and glory both in this world and in the world to come. Amen."

Mr. Asa Bacon, the Superintendent of the Hospital, was the next speaker.

REMARKS BY ASA BACON.

For several years public interest in hospitals has been growing and an intelligent public opinion of the administration of hospitals has been forming. People when sick are seeking hospital treatment more and more each year, while those who have money to give are turning their attention toward the hospital as a place where their money will do the most good.

The public no longer looks upon the hospital as an isolated gloomy plant occupying a site in a given locality, but as an integral and essential part of those forces which make for the uplift of humanity.

The interest of an intelligent public is a great factor in developing better hospitals. The medical and surgical staff must be men of high standing in the profession. The internes or house doctors must be carefully selected from the best schools. Higher standards of teaching and a better quality of women for the nurses must be maintained.

The Superintendent must administer the hospital on modern business principles. The hospital must have a complete and a fully equipped Pathological Laboratory under the direction of a skilled Pathologist. There must be a modern X-Ray outfit under the charge

of a specialist. A well stocked drug department with a **registered** pharmacist to carefully select and dispense the drugs. Sufficient operating and dressing rooms with modern equipment to care for emergency patients at a moment's notice. A diet kitchen under the supervision of a dietitian to teach the nurses how to properly provide and serve food to the sick. A general kitchen with its sanitary refrigeration, sterilizer for milk and other utensils, broilers, steamers, etc., for the proper preparation of food. Much attention must be given to ventilation to carry away the odors from the kitchen. Service rooms connected with dummy waiters so as to get the food to the patient hot and fresh. Surgical supply rooms where miles and miles of gauze and bandages are prepared each month. Large autoclaves where everything from a bandage to a bed mattress can be sterilized. A fully equipped laundry well ventilated and lighted so as to supply clean sterile linen. A high pressure power plant under the management of a careful engineer. A hydrotherapeutic department where various kinds of baths can be given. Social service department to assist poor patients in various ways, both in the Hospital and in the home during convalescence. Roof gardens. Sun parlors. Telephone switchboard with terminals running to all important places in the building. Silent electric call system for nurses and doctors, and many other things which I will not take the time to mention.

All these are the outcome of a gradual demand for better equipped hospitals for the care of the sick and injured.

It is needless for me to repeat what has already been said about our Presbyterian Hospital, but as the result of our modern equipment, and the organization we have built up, together with the advancement of the science of medicine and surgery, we have cut the death rate in ten years from 6 per cent to 3 per cent, and reduced the average days of hospital treatment per patient from 31 to 15 days. In the year 1901 we admitted 2,343 patients and 132 died, while in 1911 we admitted 4,406 people and only 137 died. Think of how we have reduced the suffering and increased the happiness in the homes by returning loved ones to the family fire-side in nearly half the time we did ten years ago and actually saving the lives of 3 per cent more of our patients.

Two musical selections, interspersed in the program, were beautifully rendered by Mrs. Zoe Pearl Park. The first was Allister's "A Song of Thanksgiving," and the other an "Aria from St. Paul," by Mendelssohn.

THE GRADUATING EXERCISES OF THE TRAINING SCHOOL FOR NURSES.

The graduating exercises of the Training School for Nurses of the Presbyterian Hospital took place at the Home for Nurses, 430 Ashland Boulevard, Tuesday, April 30, at 3 o'clock. The occasion was one of satisfaction and pleasure, for a beautiful day and a large audience greeted the class of 1912, while the Home itself was made attractive by the presence of the earnest young women and the flowers sent by well-wishing friends.

The exercises were begun with the invocation offered by the Rev. F. W. Barr, who for the past year has served the Hospital as chaplain as a part of his work as assistant pastor of the Third Presbyterian Church.

Mr. A. M. Day, President of the Board of Managers of the Hospital, then introduced Rev. Hugh T. Kerr, of the Fullerton Avenue Church, who addressed the class, taking for his theme, Vocational Loyalty. He defined the nurse's work as a social service, and therefore a Christian service, but said its effectiveness depended on her loyalty to her vocation. He called loyalty unheralded heroism, and said it consisted of efficiency, perseverance and a consecration to high ideals. He believed that loyalty could survive only when built upon a thorough equipment for one's vocation, an undaunted perseverance in following one's vocation and in a sanctifying of one's vocation by a fine idealism. He interspersed his more serious observations with amusing illustrations, which gave piquancy to his remarks and pressed home the point of his wholesome advice.

After some charming songs, sung by Mrs. Zoe Pearl Park, director of the choirs of the Third Presbyterian Church, Mr. Day introduced Prof. Graham Taylor of Chicago Commons.

Prof. Taylor spoke of the happy combination of the practical with the technical in training schools for nurses which had transformed an occupation into a profession and gave the nurses' schools the credit of being pioneers in this saner method of education, which is being gradually adopted by all schools and universities. He dwelt upon the extremely personal and private aspect of the nurse's work which calls for tact, sympathy and intelligence as well as medical training, but claimed that the nurse would not fulfill the privileges of her calling unless she considered also the public aspect of her work. He took the position that as she was a preserver of life, that as she

reclaimed the dependent and infused self-reliance into the weak, she became of economic value in the community and hence, willingly or not, she occupied an official civic position and was responsible to the great public by the way in which she maintained her trust. He felt that each nurse should be conscious of the larger cause in rendering the lowly service and should seek to fulfill this service, realizing that while the remuneration might be small, she was winning for herself the respect and admiration of the men and women whose consideration is of greater value than financial success. He demanded of the nurse that she so "physicalize" the spiritual and so "spiritualize" the physical that she be able to regard those of highest or lowest estate as just human, and in thus unifying personality she would follow in the footsteps of Him who is at once the most humanly divine and the most divinely human the world has ever known.

Mr. Day followed this address by an earnest talk in presenting diplomas to the thirty-six graduating nurses.

Mrs. D. W. Graham, President of the Woman's Auxiliary Board of the Hospital, with appropriate words of greeting and God-speed, presented to the class the school pins.

The exercises were closed most pleasingly by the singing of a group of songs by Mrs. Park, when the guests were invited to partake of refreshments in the dining-rooms.

TRAINING SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

REPORT OF SOCIAL SERVICE COMMITTEE.

New patients during April.....	52
Cases carried over.....	31
Calls made.....	96
Calls in office.....	75
Letters written.....	32
Letters received.....	28
Pieces old clothing given.....	131
Pieces new clothing given.....	11
Used for relief.....	\$1.65
Loaned.....	15.00
Returned on loans.....	5.00

Twenty-five patients were referred to and received assistance from other organizations.

Donations: From friends in Hinsdale, 15 women's garments.
From friends at Hospital, 5 women's garments.

A young man patient who has paralysis of the legs was referred by his physician to the Social Service Visitor for lessons in stenography and type-writing, with the idea of preparing him for self-support. A teacher was secured who agreed to give the lessons after a guarantee was received from the patient's friends that he would have work when he was prepared for it. Although the young man was formerly a plumber, he takes very readily to this line of work. When he leaves the Hospital, he hopes to be able to support himself although he probably must hereafter go about in a wheel chair.

The husband of one of our patients was known to be drinking. One morning he walked into the "Social Service" office and asked for help to overcome his habit. He was perfectly sober and very much in earnest. It was decided that he needed building up physically to fortify his good resolution, so his friends were canvassed by telephone and finally one was found who guaranteed enough money to insure him a course of treatment in an institution for such cases. This was some time ago, and the man is now living a normal life and is quite sure that he has parted company with his old enemy for ever.

A year ago when a first call was made on one of our maternity cases, the family, consisting of father and mother and two small children, were found living in two very small rear basement rooms for which they were paying \$11.00 a month. The husband worked in a printer's ink factory for \$12.00 a week, under very unsanitary conditions, which affected his health. A report of these conditions was made to the state factory inspector, but without any apparent result. The family was encouraged to get into better rooms with their own furniture, which they were anxious to do, and which was finally accomplished. Last summer the mother and the two children were sent to the Hinsdale Fresh Air Home, from which they returned after two weeks much improved in health. This winter this man was obliged to leave his work because of occupational disease, produced by the chemicals.

As both the man and his wife had been brought up on a farm in Germany, they decided it would be well for them to seek employment out of the city.

They advertised, but without result, and finally the woman came to the Social Service office and stated the situation. A search from our office was begun, but before we had succeeded, their money being exhausted, the man was forced to return to the ink factory. At the end of two weeks he was obliged to give up work again on account of his health. The day he gave up his work we were able to tell

him that we had found a place in Southern Wisconsin, where the family would have a little house with an opportunity to raise vegetables and chickens, the two dollars a month rent could be "worked out," and work for the man and for the woman, too, could be offered her in spare time.

Fifteen dollars were loaned them to help them get started. Word has been received from the friend who employed them that they arrived as expected. We feel that this move will have satisfactory results and we are waiting with interest to hear a further report.

SOCIAL SERVICE COMMITTEE.

DR. D. K. PEARSONS.

At the May meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary Board, at the request of the President, Mr. Bacon, the Superintendent of the Hospital and a personal friend of Dr. D. K. Pearsons, gave the following tribute to his memory:

It is our purpose to-day for a few moments to look into the life of our honored friend and benefactor, Dr. D. K. Pearsons. Those who were not in close touch with his life saw many faults and few virtues, due, I think, principally to his gruff manner and his peculiarities in money matters. It is true that many of his friends did not agree with his idea in distributing his large fortune. To me Dr. Pearsons was a big-hearted man, a devoted Christian and a dear friend. After the death of Mrs. Pearsons, he was the most lonely man I ever knew, and Mrs. Bacon and I, from the time of Mrs. Pearsons' death, made almost weekly visits to see him. He was so appreciative of little kindnesses shown that he called us "his children," and many times opened up his heart to us so we could look in and see what was within that gruff exterior. He always had fatherly words of advice to give us.

Dr. Pearsons was the first President of the Presbyterian Hospital, being elected at a meeting held at the Grand Pacific Hotel, Dec. 13, 1883. To all his admirable qualities of head and heart was added an intense enthusiasm and interest in the work of the Hospital.

In his first annual report he said, "Whoever may be neglected, the indigent, sick and victims of accident should not be, when such are within our reach, whether prostrated by casualty or disease; their relief is our first and imperative duty; having the ability and oppor-

tunity to help them, we cannot escape the obligation without incurring the Divine displeasure."

Three years later, as President of the Hospital, he said, "We should lead the poor sick to our institution, deposit our gifts and say, like the Good Samaritan, 'Take care of him; and whatsoever thou spendest more, when I come again I will repay thee;' and the coming again should not be too long delayed. The Presbyterian Church needs the Divine blessing that will flow from efforts to make our Hospital worthy of the name of Christian and useful to Christ's poor. As our Master received all the sick that came to Him, so this Hospital. It makes no inquiry to creed. It is for all God's sick and needy children."

On August 31st of this same year, he gave \$10,000 for God's sick and needy children as he expressed it.

To show how appreciative he was of the work of the Ladies' Aid Society, he said in 1887, "From the day the Hospital building was completed, the Ladies' Aid Society has been the Hospital's mainstay; and the work performed by them during the year just closed, has been greater, if such a thing were possible, than that of any preceding year, and it is a remarkable indication of what can be accomplished where all hearts are kindled with enthusiasm, supplemented with generosity."

At the dedication of the Jones Building, Rev. John Henry Barrows in his remarks said, "It would be unjust not to mention, even in his presence, the incalculable services which have been rendered by the gifts, the active interest and the sleepless labor of him who for years has been the President of the institution, Dr. D. K. Pearsons." In 1889 Mr. Bogue was elected President, but Dr. Pearsons did not relax his interest, for he gave \$45,000 and raised several thousand through his many friends.

Dr. Pearsons never forgot his friends and always loved to relate experiences that were dear to him. He often spoke tenderly of Dr. Ross as the founder of the Hospital, and at one time remarked to me that Dr. Ross's great love for his fellow-men and especially his love for the Hospital, was beyond his comprehension.

He spoke of Mr. D. H. Jones in loving terms, and once told me that if he had not followed his advice in a certain business deal he no doubt would have had less money to give away. Dr. Hamill he spoke of as a dear friend, who was always ready and willing to render assistance in the Hospital work.

Dr. Pearsons was President of the Hospital 1883 to 1889 and 1899 to 1902.

CHAPEL NOTES.

There is surely no more beautiful religious work that can be done than to bring to those who by force of circumstances are shut away from the outside world the messages that our Christianity has for every soul. When one has been shut away from the privileges of open free life for a time, he hungers for something that will enable him to see beyond himself and help him to forget his troubles. This is never more true than when that trouble is sickness. There is nothing that will help the sick man or woman more than to be able to see into the great heart of God, and to know that he has a Father in Heaven who cares for him always. When their suffering can be interpreted to them through a message of cheer in the terms of God they can understand far better how to look for the silver lining in every cloud.

In a word, that is the purpose of the religious work which centers in our chapel services held every Sunday morning at the Presbyterian Hospital. There are patients in the rooms and wards of the Hospital representing many different nationalities and creeds. There are many who have never been in the habit of attending religious services when they were well. The constant monotony of lying on their beds and never getting beyond the walls of the hospital, even though they may be there for only a few days, puts them in a frame of mind to gladly welcome any opportunity to break that monotony. That is doubtless the motive which prompts many to attend our services as soon as they are convalescent. But it is with eager hearts that they listen to every word that is spoken and every song that is sung, and, we believe, join with us in every prayer that is offered.

Every effort is put forth to make the service entirely informal. The chaplain makes an effort to visit with just as many of the patients as possible during the week, not necessarily as a religious leader or guide, but believing that his prime religious duty is to make them feel that he is their friend, and is trying, if possible, to break down their gloom and speak a word of cheer or comfort. On Sunday mornings before the chapel service six or eight of the young men from the Third Presbyterian Church go around through the different parts of the buildings and assist the patients in any way that they are able, to get to the chapel. On June 2nd the Vested Boys' Choir from the Third Church came and sang at the service: on June 16th the Vested Girls' Choir did the same thing. Occasionally

other contributions of a musical nature are made. Two ladies come regularly and faithfully to add the cheer which their singing may bring. There are usually flowers ready to be given out to the patients at the close of the service. The appreciation that is shown for everything that is done is very beautiful.

There is a common bond necessary to create the proper spirit for any religious service. We have that furnished in a way that is impossible to find in a church service, from the fact that all are there for one common purpose. There are no barriers standing between different classes of people when a common need is recognized. We trust that our Heavenly Father uses the seed that is sown in this fertile soil and causes it to spring forth in a way that we know not of. Our hope is that some soul may go forth as a result of our efforts in Christ's name to better realize what life means, and how glorious it is to live the life with and for God.

J. V. BERGER, Chaplain.

INTERNES' NOTES.

Dr. J. W. Tope is practicing in Oak Park.

Dr. W. T. Hughes is with Dr. Willard in Oak Park.

Dr. H. W. Wadsworth will resign his position as resident physician of the Monroe St. Hospital in October, to practice in Washington, Ind.

Dr. H. R. Rogers is practicing in Rockford, Ill.

Dr. M. B. Galloway, whose internship closed on May 1st, is practicing in South English, Iowa.

Dr. F. C. Murrah, whose internship closed on January 1st, is practicing in Creal Springs, Ill.

Dr. H. Laird has bought an interest in a hospital in his home town, Oxford, Ind.

Dr. Carl Davis (former Webster interne), is now Medical Director of the Northwestern Life Insurance Co. in Milwaukee, Wis.

Dr. E. Edgerton, who recently married Miss Ann K. Simon, is to practice in Wichita, Kan., with Dr. Harry Horn.

Dr. S. B. Herdman, is practicing in Taylorville, Ill.

Dr. Chas. Lamme is with Dr. Watson, Chicago.

Dr. Twining is in charge of a 50-bed hospital of the C., M. & St. P. R. R. at Mobridge, S. D.

Dr. F. O. McFarland was married to Miss Mirian Rabb, Wed-

nesday, June 19th, and has accepted an appointment in the army, to begin in October.

Dr. F. C. Roberg is practicing in Joliet, Ill.

Dr. Robt. Davis is in the navy.

Dr. J. F. Hammond, who is with the army, has been assigned to California.

Dr. J. T. Treacy is practicing in Helena, Mont.

Dr. G. H. Steele is with Dr. Ormsby, Chicago.

Dr. H. K. Nicoll was married to Miss Eva L. Pickens on June 4th, and is with Dr. Billings; Dane-Billings fellow.

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EDITORIAL.

Tag day is but happily and successfully passed when the charitably minded citizens of Chicago are given the opportunity of serving their unfortunate brothers by contributing to their need through another organization, the Needlework Guild of America. Next will come the festal days of December when they may prove "good fellows" to the needy. With October given to the welfare of children, November to the clothing of the convalescent poor, December to the needy family, Easter to the sick in our hospitals and the summer months to summer outings for the tenement dwellers, our charities are being put upon a business-like basis that means much to those organizations that depend for their success upon public support.

An article upon the work and needs of the Needlework Guild appears in this issue of the Bulletin.

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The simple and cheery service held in the Hospital Chapel each Sunday morning gives to the patient who will or can come comfort and inspiration. Through it a manner of Christian service is offered which does not obtrude religion upon the unwilling but which gives to the responsive, real satisfaction. There is an opportunity here for those who have good cheer to give.

THE NEEDLEWORK GUILD.

The Needlework Guild of America was founded in 1884 by Mrs. John Wood Stewart of Philadelphia. There are now 330 branches in the United States. The Chicago Branch was organized in 1892. Mrs. Charles Hamill became President. This office she retained for many years, only resigning to become President of the National Society.

The object of the Guild is to collect and distribute new garments to hospitals, homes and other charities. In the case of hospitals the garments are given to the convalescent out-going patients who have insufficient clothing. Garments are also distributed to the sick and destitute through relief associations and to homes and shelters of every description, for the use of their inmates.

The organization is non-sectarian in its membership, all classes and sects working together. Its membership consists of persons who agree to contribute two new garments each year. Five of these members each pledging herself to secure ten other members, form a section and ten or more of these sections form a City Branch. Each section is responsible for the collection of 110 garments.

The work of collecting and distributing these garments takes place in November and requires the entire time of a number of women for one week. The work is increasing each year. In 1911 over half a million garments were collected and distributed in the United States. Many institutions depend on the Needlework Guild for their supply of new garments. Thousands more garments than are received could be wisely used. Many new workers are needed.

The Needlework Guild of Chicago has given most bountifully since the first year of its organization to our Woman's Board of the Presbyterian Hospital. In 1911 two hundred and seventy-five garments were received, while during the twenty years of the Guild's existence the Hospital has been the recipient of nearly seven thousand garments. Should we not remember this and feel an obligation as individuals to contribute and help in every way we can in this great work?

New garments of any size and of serviceable quality, or money, are most acceptable.

MRS. JOHN C. WELLING.

TAG DAY COMMITTEE REPORT.

Tag Day collections on Oct. 15, 1912, for the Children's Ward of the Presbyterian Hospital aggregated, according to the preliminary report, \$1,891.19. When the full official returns are in the total undoubtedly will be over \$1,900. The preliminary report for Tag Day, 1911, showed a total of \$2,044, and the final report \$2,242.64.

Although the money collected this year apparently falls about \$300 short of the receipts a year ago, the result is decidedly gratifying in view of all the circumstances. In the first place a greater number of charities than ever before participated in the tagging. In the second place one of our best locations down town proved to be almost valueless because the entire block was in the hands of builders. Danger signs drove pedestrians to the opposite sides of the streets, which were officially assigned to other charities. Moreover, we were seriously handicapped by the fact that half of the boxes intended for us went astray, having been delivered by the manufacturers to another charity through their mistake. It was only through the untiring effort of Mrs. H. Victor Keane, chairman of the supplies committee, that the boxes were located and delivered to us a few hours before they were to be used.

The Eighth Presbyterian Church again distinguished itself by collecting the largest sum of money. The day's work yielded for it \$285. A close second is the Fullerton Avenue Church, with \$280.

Of the boxes used exclusively by one tagger, that of Mrs. Lucile G. Green of the First Church contained the largest amount. Mrs. Green turned in \$65.38. It is a pleasure to make this individual acknowledgment, and to add that the Presbyterian Hospital never was represented on Tag Day by a finer and more earnest body of women. Many toiled all day under discouraging conditions on account of poor locations, but none faltered in her loyalty to the task assigned her or withheld the smile of thanks for every offering.

Tag Day has become an accepted institution in Chicago. The mayor recognizes it formally by proclamation. The police do what they can to promote its success. The public gives it the right of way. The rich and poor make the children's cause their cause. It is the

most democratic charity of which we know. Its reflex influence makes wonderfully for genuine altruism in the community.

The place which Tag Day has come to hold in the hearts of Chicago is happily expressed in one of the great morning newspapers which says in an editorial:

"There was no special calamity to stir the hearts of men. Still every person appealed to put his hand in his pocket and produced a coin. There is a great deal said these days about people in the big cities becoming hard-hearted. The \$60,000 collected merely for the asking refutes these pessimistic views.

"People in this city and in all big cities are busy. The struggle for existence is keen. A curtness and severity of manner is fostered by the active, rushing atmosphere and surroundings. But this severity is only outward. It is only skin-deep. At heart the curt American of the busy city is human, far more human, perhaps, than those who carry mushy sentimentality on their faces or lips."

MRS. JOHN HOWARD TODD, Chairman.

MISS MARIA W. LITTLE, Vice-Chairman.

MRS. FRANK RAYNOR.

MISS WILOMENE T. WHITE,

Tag Day Committee.

RECEPTION FOR TAG DAY WORKERS.

A delightful reception was held in the Hospital Chapel on Saturday, October 5th, in the afternoon, for those who were to take an active part for the Hospital on Tag Day. Several members of the Board of the Children's Benefit League were present, and two of them took part in the short program. Mrs. Graham, our President, and Mrs. Todd, Chairman of our Tag Day committee, received the guests as they came in. Mrs. Graham spoke a few gracious words of welcome and introduced Mr. Bacon. He expressed our gratification in having these ladies visit the Hospital, because we realized the great magnitude of the work it was doing in this city. He gave instances of boys and girls whose lives had been saved by the effect-

ive attention the Hospital had been able to give them. In a short historical sketch he spoke of the founders, Dr. Ross and Dr. Hamill, in the early days, and of the new Murdock Memorial building where we can now care annually for fourteen hundred children at a cost of \$25,000. He said:

“The modern hospital is no longer an isolated gloomy plant occupying a site in a given locality, indifferent to the criticisms and claims of the community. It is an integral and essential part of those forces which make for the uplifting of humanity, and is so closely identified with the whole general scheme of philanthropy that it has its share and its responsibility in every effort made in that direction.

“It affords an opportunity for personal service for carrying on Christ’s work, for it is suffering humanity for whom we are working and planning, and only so far as this suffering is alleviated and want relieved can we claim true success or rest satisfied with our labor.

“Our Hospital is working for the same purpose as the first emergency hospital established by the wayside by the good Samaritan with which you are all familiar. The Hospital originated out of the fullness of the human heart, out of the natural desire to ‘do unto others as we would have others do unto us.’ ”

In closing Mr. Bacon offered to conduct the ladies over the building, visiting the children’s wards.

Mrs. Graham then introduced Mrs. Tillman, President of the Children’s Benefit League, who, in a few well-chosen words, responded to the welcome given her and said that she hoped that all those taking part on Tag Day would so conduct themselves that the city authorities would want us to have the same privileges next year.

Mrs. Solin, chairman of the location committee, told us that there were several rules that had to be laid down for the direction of the ladies who were to take part. She emphasized some of these rules, saying that if they were broken the box would be taken away from the worker.

Miss Persons was next introduced and gave three very inter-

esting cases of boys and girls who had been cured in the Hospital, and the families had been followed up with help and sympathy.

Mrs. Todd spoke encouragingly to the workers, enthusing them to do greater things this year than we had done before.

After coffee and cake had been served we followed Mr. Bacon round the wards, visiting the sick children who were being cared for so efficiently by the sweet-faced nurses. Many of the ladies before leaving the building expressed great satisfaction with the splendid work being done by our Hospital.

MRS. GEO. L. ROBINSON.

REPORT OF SOCIAL SERVICE COMMITTEE FOR THE MONTHS OF JUNE, JULY, AUGUST AND SEPTEMBER.

New cases	301
Continued cases	44
Referred cases	57
Calls made	323
Calls in office.....	297
Clothing given	227
Relief money used.....	\$11.23
Money loaned	8.00
Summer outings, individuals	96

The great work of the summer months is arranging the outings, and only one accustomed to such service can appreciate the amount of detail involved. Fourteen other organizations have co-operated in the work.

The clothing given out has been largely for women and children in order that they might enjoy the opportunity offered for a two-weeks' outing.

This clothing, gingham aprons, flannelette petticoats and infants' articles, was made through the winter by organizations of young women connected with our Hospital Young Woman's League. Many of these organizations are already at work and are asking that talks

be given them on that branch of philanthropy known as Social Service.

The case of a deported Greek has been one of continued interest and as the matter is closed is reported in the following story.

A SOCIAL SERVICE STORY.

When Nicholas K. arrived in Chicago from his native land, Greece, in March, 1911, he had the misfortune on that very day to fall and hurt his knee. That knee had bothered Nick before. In fact he had been laid up with it for some time before he left home and had had a slight operation on it. But it had got better and he came to Chicago to seek his fortune.

The injury to the knee caused so much pain that he felt it must have treatment. So he came to our Hospital and after twenty days he was discharged, better, but not cured. Four months later he came back. The tissues broke down and the wound would not heal. This was the beginning of nine long months in bed and wheel chair. At first Nick manfully paid his way, but soon his money gave out, and for seven months he was on the free list. It was very discouraging for a young fellow of twenty-seven to lie week after week and see no prospect of ever being better. Sometimes he was cheerful and spent the time weaving raffia baskets; at other times he would be very downcast and with tears in his eyes he would talk of his wife and baby back in Sparta whom he never expected to see again.

Finally the effort to heal the malignant ulcer was given up and it was decided to amputate the leg above the knee. When things came to this pass the future looked darker than ever to poor Nick. Even though he got well, he felt that with one leg he never would be able to earn enough money to pay his way home. For he did not know that his crippled condition was a unique passport and as a "dependent alien" he was entitled to free transportation to his native land. It sounded like a happy fairy tale to him when he was told that he would be sent home.

Proof was required that he had not been in the country two years since landing and that he had had the trouble that caused his disability before he came. These points being easily established, the immigration officials made the final arrangements and early in September our friend Nick sailed on the Carpathia back to home and friends that for many a long day he had not hoped to see this side of Heaven.

Two other interesting cases are as follows:

From a crowded, insanitary "furnished rooms" home a little girl came to our Hospital two years ago suffering from bronchitis, and she was also rachitic. A visit to the home showed that it was no place for a well child to live, much less a sick or convalescent one. The mother was willing that the child should be boarded in the country until she was entirely well, but the father vetoed the plan, so she was sent home, cured of her bronchitis, but still a very delicate child. The mother was instructed in her care, but the conditions were too bad for the frail little body and soon she was back in the Hospital. Another effort was made to send her to the country and this time the father's consent was won.

The same program was gone through with two other children of the family, each being a second time in the Hospital before the father would consent to its being sent to the country. These children were given 119 days free treatment by the Hospital.

Meantime the mother was encouraged to get furniture of her own and move into better quarters which she could afford to do on account of the difference in the rent between furnished and unfurnished rooms. She was frequently visited and stimulated in any efforts she made to improve the family life. The home now is much of an improvement over what it was two years ago and the children are all alive and well. Not as much has been accomplished as we should have liked, but probably as much as could, in reason, be expected.

A young mother who was ready to leave the Hospital with her baby had no place to go because her almost equally young husband had found his responsibilities too great for him to shoulder; so he

calmly staid away, replying to no letters and leaving Hospital expenses and plans for the future of his wife and child to whomever would undertake them. The mother and baby were sent to the Foundlings' Home, while the Juvenile Protective Association took up the matter on behalf of the baby and brought the father into court. The young husband was directed to get a job and take care of his family, the judge paroling him to the young woman officer of the Protective Association who had brought him into court. Her latest report was entirely satisfactory. The young man was working and taking care of his family in the good old-fashioned way.

; ELLEN PERSONS, Social Service Worker.

REPORT OF VISITING COMMITTEE.

The chairman did not leave the city this summer, so she was able to make frequent visits during the warm months. It seemed necessary to give certain parts of the Hospital a thorough cleaning, so many of the patients from different wards were moved over into the new building with its large and lovely rooms. The committee all together were able to make about nine hundred visits during the summer to the patients in the Hospital.

Many interesting cases were brought to their notice. One, a man over seventy years of age, was in a private room, but the nurse asked Mrs. Small to come in and see him. He seemed very glad to see her and told her that he had been severely hurt in a wreck. He complained of being very lonely and said he wished so much to go home. His wife had been to see him often but he apparently had never been separated from his loved ones for any length of time before, and repeated his cry: "Oh! lady, I want to go home." The nurse did all she could to cheer him and seemed most sympathetic. The visit did him good.

Another case was that of a policeman who seemed out of place on a hospital bed instead of out among men. He was suffering from a leg broken in three places. The visitor found a delicate little woman sitting beside him, and they asked if it would be possible for

her to come to see him oftener than the Hospital rules allow. The kind superintendent made arrangements by which this should be an exceptional case, and the visitor left two happy, satisfied faces in the ward.

In another room the visitor found a mother sitting by the bed-side of a very sick child. The woman had come from a distant city and feared her little son would not live, so she appreciated the comfort brought to her by another mother who knew how to give real sympathy.

As these visitors go through the halls they often find people who are discouraged, lonely and in great need of sympathy and love, and it is a privilege to be able to render any help to these who are passing under a dark cloud.

This report would not be complete without mentioning the six visits during the summer of Mrs. Morrow of the Campbell Park Church. Each time she came to the Hospital she brought a peck basket of lovely flowers to distribute to the sick ones in the wards.

There are lonely hearts to cherish,
While the days are going by.
There are weary souls who perish,
While the days are going by.
If a smile we can renew, as our journey we pursue,
Oh! the good we all may do,
While the days are going by.

MRS. JANET H. SMALL, Chairman.

THE SCHOOL FOR NURSES.

With the 1st of October vacations for our nurses are over, class and lecture work starts, the demands of the nursing of the Hospital become heavier, and everyone is abundantly occupied in carrying along her studies and fulfilling her duties in the Hospital.

Each succeeding fall the school looks forward to assuming more responsibility during the year, and to the development of opportunity of training for its students, and this fall, on account of the completion and occupancy of the Murdoch Building, the opportunities and

responsibilities have increased manifoldly. Such a condition necessitates an enlarged nursing staff and has allowed the admission of thirty-nine young women into the preliminary department—the largest class ever received into the school.

The entrance of this large class has considerably added to the perplexity of suitably caring for our nurses, and the completion of the new home, started in August, is anxiously watched for by all.

The plans of the building promise a home suited to meet all the requirements of the school, providing in addition to accommodation for one hundred and fifty nurses, proper assembly, study, recreation and other needful rooms.

Situated on Congress and Wood streets, facing the Hospital, the two main wings running north and south with a court between, the seven-story building will make an important addition to the institution.

For purposes of economy and expediency in management, it is connected by tunnel with the Hospital. On the main floor one wing is occupied by the dining room and serving room; the other by an assembly room large enough to hold a hundred and fifty people, a reception room and a library. Below the dining room is the kitchen, fitted with institutional appliances, and proper store rooms, ice boxes, etc. Under the assembly and reception rooms are a laboratory, equipped for class work in bacteriology, chemistry and other subjects, and a demonstration room for practical nursing instruction.

The five upper stories are given up to bedrooms, sewing, linen and other utility rooms, each bedroom being so arranged that the sun shines into it some part of the day, and not one placed in the connecting east-to-west wing. As balconies seemed impracticable, and as provision for fresh air is a necessity, the roof has been fitted up to be used during leisure time or for sleeping purposes if desired.

The building, to be completed by May or June, before occupancy can take place, will require (in part at least) new furnishings—an opportunity offering itself to some friend of the institution to relieve it of one burden by assuming the financial responsibility of furnishing and making attractive the new Home for Nurses.

M. H. McMILLAN, Superintendent of Nurses.

THE LIBRARY COMMITTEE.

There is no committee of the Woman's Board that comes into closer contact with the patients in the Hospital than the Library committee unless it be the Visiting committee. Their work is perhaps as arduous as is performed by any committee, and yet they are so retiring we hear very little about them. We scarcely realize how much time they devote to the care of the books or how much comfort they bring to the sick in the Hospital wards. That they serve faithfully is evidenced by the following report.

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LIBRARY COMMITTEE REPORT.

The Library committee reports thirty-five books received from the book shower in June.

As the committee has a large light room to work in now, they would be very pleased to receive, now or at any time, a large number of books. These need not necessarily be new, but they must be clean.

In overhauling our bookcases we find that we are very short of books for the children. As they are now back in the new children's ward of the Hospital, we would like to have books or pictures that would interest them. The books that the little ones seem to enjoy the most are the ones made by pasting cut-out pictures on cambric. These are light and easily held.

The publishers of the Sunset magazine sent us twenty-five of their September number. These are very much appreciated.

Mrs. Newell has given us three revolving bookcases which will be very helpful.

We did not receive many magazines during the summer, so that we are very short on them. As the vacation season is over, we are looking forward to receiving both books and magazines.

We re-cover, on an average, forty-five books every month, also put fresh books and magazines in the bookcases on each floor.

Could you interest the young girls of your church in making scrap-books for the children?

MISS ANNIE G. SMALL, Chairman.

CHAPEL NOTES.

The chapel services at the Hospital for the fall are getting well organized after the summer's relapse. During the hot weather the number of patients in the Hospital was not so large as ordinarily. The chapel services were consequently not so well attended. There has been no break in the service, however. Every Sunday an opportunity has been given to those patients who were able to leave their rooms or wards to attend a religious service. There has been special music at each one of these services. Credit for this music is due to the combined efforts of Miss Nora Corette and Miss Lillie Arneson. During July and August, on account of other duties falling upon the chaplain, the morning service was held at ten o'clock instead of eleven. During September, while the chaplain was away, Mr. W. S. Snoddy, a student in McCormick Seminary, took charge of the chapel services.

We are very sorry to lose the regular help of Miss Corette, who has been so faithful in bringing her message of song each Sabbath. Miss Corette has promised to come to us whenever her other duties will permit. Miss Lillie Arneson is to continue her service in connection with the music of our worship.

There is a peculiar blessing attached to this chapel service in the Hospital. Only those who have been sick know how closely sick people are drawn together. It seems to be a common trait of humanity for persons feeling the same needs to feel their needs as a bond uniting them together. It may sound rather paradoxical to say that the chapel service in the Presbyterian Hospital is one of the cheeriest religious services that one can attend anywhere. Nevertheless, it is true. It is a place to come to find God and forget about self. Even to one who is sick life does not lose all of its beauty if one can be led to just look at it from the right point of view. If there is one purpose above all others that our chapel service tries to emphasize it is to make the Christian religion a means of fixing that point of view so that a clearer vision of God's love can be seen through all of life's experiences. We trust that God's blessing will rest upon this humble

way of ministering to the sick. We may not heal their diseases. That is not our service. We try to "renew a right spirit" within them.

J. V. BERGER, Chaplain.

NURSE'S ALUMNAE ITEMS.

Miss Lina Davis '07, who has been for the past year a supervising nurse in the Hospital, has accepted a position as supervisor of nurses in the Pasadena General Hospital of Pasadena, California.

Mrs. Maud Langston Metcalf '07 spent a portion of the month of October in the Hospital as attendant to her husband, Dr. Frank Metcalf.

Miss Faye Jackson '07 enjoyed her annual vacation in Colorado.

Miss Sara Nelson '07, accompanied by Miss Ruth Brown '10, had a very pleasant summer trip through the West.

Miss Beulah Smith '07 is again doing private duty after being two years on her ranch near Meers, South Dakota.

Mrs. Marabelle Baldwin Evans '08, with her baby daughter, was the guest of classmates for a short time during the summer.

Miss Alice Snow spent her vacation in the East.

Miss Edith Ferris '09 has accepted the position as superintendent of the Crippled Children's Home.

Miss Augusta Giller '09 accompanied Miss Elisabeth McIntosh to her home in Calgary, Alberta, where they are both doing private duty.

Mrs. Jessie Slade Wallace '09, of Albany, Oregon, was the guest of classmates in the city while en route to her former home in Baraboo, Wisconsin.

Miss Jean Martin '10 is spending the month of October, the guest of Mrs. Ann Simon Edgerton of Wichita, Kansas.

Miss Josephine Morse '10 is doing private nursing after a year in Los Angeles, California.

Miss Maida Wilke '11 spent a part of September with Miss Caroline Geiken in her home, Charlevoix, Michigan.

The Alumnae Association is very appreciative of the assistance

the Ladies' Board is giving it in the payments to the Mary Byrne Memorial Fund. Up to date twenty-two hundred dollars (\$2,200) has been paid. Of this amount we are indebted to the Ladies' Board for fifteen hundred dollars (\$1,500). Although we may seem a bit delinquent with our payments, we are not losing interest in our undertaking and hope to be more successful in the coming months.

We are very grateful for the courtesy extended in allotting us a page in the quarterly Bulletin for alumnae news, which will doubtless be especially appreciated by our absent members.

INTERNES' NOTES.

Wednesday evening, October 23, the house staff had its semi-annual dinner and theater party. Dinner was served at the Chicago Athletic Association. After seeing Richard Carle and Hattie Williams in "The Girl from Montmartre," the party returned to the Hospital by easy stages, and although there were thirteen at the dinner table only one was caught by the proverbial bad luck. Dr. Cary found a district case awaiting him and so got very little rest.

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Dr. Hellar is at the Children's Memorial Hospital.

Dr. Patterson is located at Winton, Minn.

Dr. McClellan and Dr. Greer are located at Washington Ave. and 55th St.

Dr. Carl Davis is resident physician in the department of obstetrics and gynecology.

Dr. R. G. Davis is at the Navy Medical School, Washington, D. C.

Dr. F. O. McFarland is at the Army Medical School, Washington, D. C.

Dr. G. F. Hammond is stationed at the Presidio, San Francisco.

Dr. H. C. Wadsworth has just returned from a six weeks' trip to the Pacific Coast.

Dr. John Beyers, who left the Hospital in 1909 because of tuber-

culosis, is located in Pasadena, California, and is said to be enjoying good health and a large practice.

Dr. John Ryan was recently married and has moved to Iowa.

Dr. McClellan and Dr. Greer are working in Sprague.

Dr. E. M. Allen is an instructor in physiology at the Ohio State University.

Dr. Steele has left Dr. Ormsby's office and will locate on the Pacific slope.

Dr. T. B. Smith is chief surgeon for the Arizona Copper Company and is located at Clifton, Arizona.

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Dr. De Motte replaces Dr. Patterson in Dr. Lewis, service.

Dr. Pincoffs replaces Dr. McClellan in Dr. Herrick's service.

Dr. Ullmann replaces Dr. Hellar in Dr. Graham's service.

Dr. Cary replaces Dr. Greer in Dr. Webster's service.

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A PLEA FOR THE EASTER LINEN OFFERING.

The committee in charge of this offering was established four years ago under the name of the Hamill Needle Work Guild Committee, with the thought of perpetuating in this way the name of Mrs. Charles D. Hamill, who during her long presidency of the Woman's Auxiliary Board of the Presbyterian Hospital was also national president of the Needle Work Guild of America.

A large amount of linen was collected and the plan was an unbounded success as far as the hospital was concerned, but made great confusion in the Chicago Branch of the Needle Work Guild. Consequently not only was the name of the committee changed, but also the time of collection so as not to interfere with the regular November collection of the Needle Work Guild.

The second year it worked under the name of the Linen Committee, collecting its contribution in January, but last year, by action of the board, it was decided to make this annual collection of linen, or its equivalent in money, a permanent feature of the Easter celebration, and the name was again changed in conformity therewith to the Easter Linen Offering Committee.

Its work is entirely different from that of the Furnishing Committee, whose duty is to purchase with money appropriated from the

treasury of the board such housekeeping supplies for the hospital as are agreed upon by the board on the recommendation of the Furnishing Committee. Hence, the larger the collection of the Easter Linen, the greater the opportunity of the Furnishing Committee to meet other needs of the hospital,

The successful work of the committee last year is shown by the following report, and after this statement we are sure its success this year is assured.

MRS. DAVID W. GRAHAM.

REPORT OF EASTER LINEN OFFERING COMMITTEE.

The Easter linen offering of 1912 was most encouraging. Nineteen churches responded. Three hundred articles, valued at \$157, and \$343 in cash were received, making the total offering equal to \$500.

Will not the friends of the hospital kindly and generously help us with either money or articles in the Easter linen offering of 1913? Please send checks payable to Mrs. H. C. Hackney, 3614 Michigan avenue, and articles to the Presbyterian Hospital, care of Mrs. H. C. Hackney, before or on March 22. The following table gives the kind and sizes of articles needed:

Sheets, 72x99 inches.

Sheets, 81x99 inches.

Sheets, 72x90 inches.

Pillowslips, 36x45 inches.

Face towels, 27 inches long.

Face towels, 24 inches long.

Bath towels, 44 inches long.

Tea towels, 36 inches long.

Tablecloths, 2 yards square.

Tablecloths, 3½ yards long.

Table napkins, 22x22 inches square.

Roller towels, 2¾ yards long.

MRS. H. C. HACKNEY, Chairman.

ASSOCIATE MEMBERSHIP.

This is the time of year when the Associate Membership Committee of the Presbyterian Hospital brings this work to the notice of the women of the churches. The question is often asked, "What does it mean to be an associate member?" By the annual payment of a dollar or more one becomes an associate member and thus helps the Woman's Auxiliary Board to carry on the great work of giving relief to the suffering poor in this city. This branch of the Auxiliary Board was begun in 1889 with a membership of sixty-seven women. For four years the membership did not materially increase, but in 1893 576 members were enrolled. The secretary of that year, Mrs. Janney, says: "It has been deemed expedient to largely extend the associate membership, not only for an increased revenue, but as a wise method of stimulating a widespread interest in our work amid the sisterhood of the church." In 1894 the money collected by this method began to be credited to the individual churches, and in 1896 a regular committee to push the work was organized. The secretary reports in 1896: "The growth of the associate membership under the management of the efficient committee which has the matter in charge is most encouraging. The churches are gradually being educated in a systematic way to understand this matter and to respond to the circulars which appeal to them at the beginning of the year. There should be a constant growth in this source of income, small in its individual demands and so large in its aggregate results."

Beginning with the year 1901, when the receipts were \$686, the reports are made in money received instead of members enrolled, but it took seventeen years from the inception of the work before the thousand-dollar mark was reached. This was largely accomplished by the enthusiastic efforts of the Fourth, the Kenwood Evangelical, the Hyde Park and Highland Park churches, which contributed each over \$100.

The year 1909 is the banner year, the total receipts being \$1,494, which increase was probably accomplished by an awakened enthusiasm in the First Church of Evanston, which contributed in that year considerably more than \$100. From this time on there is evidence of

more interest in the smaller churches which are sending in annual contributions.

Since the organization of the associate membership in 1889 there have been but five chairmen of the committee. It is unusual that a committee should have existed for twenty-four years with so few changes in its personnel. The board will always bear in grateful remembrance Mrs. Joseph M. Matteson, who organized the associate membership and was the first chairman of the permanent committee, to Mrs. Albert M. Day, who succeeded her, to Mrs. Henry M. Curtiss and to Miss Amelia M. Craig, all of whom gave faithful and efficient service.

Last year a different plan was formulated, a member of the board from each church represented on the board being placed on the committee, so that now the chairman has forty-two helpers. If results indicate the success of a method, the present one must be so counted, as last year, 1912, showed \$1,433 contributed by 885 members.

We hope that the day is not far distant when \$2,000 may be expected annually from the friends of our hospital, and this can be done if each member of the committee will take an active interest in the work and try to enlist every member of her church in the great work the hospital is doing. Many who have profited by its comforts and attentions we are sure will be glad to contribute to this permanent fund. We no longer appeal to the public through expensive entertainments, where a large share of the proceeds go toward expenses, but are using direct and simple methods, where practically no expense is involved and every dollar goes directly to the work which is explained on the circular sent out by this committee. About \$20,000 has been brought to the hospital since the Associate Membership Committee was established twenty-four years ago.

ELIZABETH F. STILLWELL, Chairman.

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Requests have been made that the Bulletin print the name of the treasurer of the Woman's Auxiliary Board, which it does with pleasure. The present treasurer is Miss Rose B. Mason, 843 Belden avenue.

CHRISTMAS IN THE HOSPITAL.

Christmas to most people means a good time—a kind, forgiving, charitable, pleasant time—the only time of the year when men and women seem by one consent to open their hearts freely and to think of the poor and needy as their fellow men, as well as remembering those in their own social group.

Christmas in the hospital means this and much more, for the patient confined to his bed at Christmas time must of necessity receive the Christmas blessings and good cheer from others, while he can do little himself in return. The hospital workers realize how hard it is for the patients to be separated from their home ties at Christmas, and so they all join heartily in making the occasion as happy and joyous as they can.

First of all, the corridors, wards and rooms were decorated with evergreen, holly, Christmas bells and pretty crepe paper, all contributed by the Woman's Auxiliary Board. The work of decorating, which took two or three days, was watched with interest and pleasure by the patients.

In the two surgical wards for women the nurses arranged Christmas trees, which were taken in while the patients were asleep; and you can imagine their surprise when they awoke in the morning to find the beautiful trees in their wards.

On Christmas Eve those whose conditions would permit were taken to the chapel on the fifth floor, in wheeled chairs, on stretcher carts and beds. There were those afflicted with various diseases and injuries, from an infected finger to a broken back. There were the rich and the poor, the Jew and the Gentile, together with doctors, nurses and employes, making an audience of over two hundred, and such an enthusiastic audience! Mr. Berger, the chaplain, opened the services by announcing the beautiful Christmas hymn, "Joy to the World," and every one sang heartily. After the hymn the chaplain gave a ten-minute Christmas sermon that touched the hearts of all. It made them feel that the Divine Spirit was near and leading them; and although many were suffering, they felt that, after all, it was the working out of God's purpose. After the sermon all joined in singing "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name." Then followed an entertainment which was given under the auspices of the Woman's Auxiliary Board.

At the close of the program the patients were tenderly taken to their respective floors by attendants, and long after the lights were extinguished they were discussing with each other the pleasant even-

ing they had passed, not knowing the surprise that was in store for them later.

In the wee sma' hours, when they were dreaming of Christmas, they heard beautiful carols in the distance, and as the sounds came nearer and grew more distinct, the patients gradually began to remember and inquired what the songs were for. "What time can it be?" "Can I get up?" and many other such questions were asked, until the nurse informed them that it was 5 o'clock and that the nurses were singing Christmas carols for them. The singing of carols Christmas morning from floor to floor is a custom established by the nurses several years ago. From this time until dinner it was a continuous "Merry Christmas" for them.

In the morning the doctors made their rounds, and in nearly every instance wrote an order for a "full tray," and where this order was given the patient surely got a "full tray," as the following menu shows:

Oyster Soup.

Roast Turkey, Dressing and Gravy.

Cranberry Jelly.

Celery. Olives.

Peas. Mashed Potatoes.

Baked Sweet Potatoes.

Ice Cream.

Raisins. Dates. Figs.

Nuts. Candy.

Assorted Fruits.

Coffee.

After dinner a two hours' rest was given, and then the doors were thrown open for visitors, who were allowed to visit the patients where it could be permitted.

Space does not permit the printing of the many testimonials that the superintendent received, showing that the patients enjoyed and appreciated their Christmas in the hospital. It seemed to be the general feeling that "face to face when friends meet happily and all is merry, God is also there."

ASA BACON, Superintendent.

REPORT OF CHRISTMAS COMMITTEE FOR 1912.

The annual Christmas entertainment was given in the hospital chapel on Tuesday, December 24, 1912, at 7:30 o'clock P. M. Not only was the room full of patients, but many more were gathered in the hallway. The program this year consisted of impersonations by Mr. Harold De Bray and a variety of songs was rendered by the Imperial Quartet. The patients for the time being forgot their ills and, judging from the pleasure depicted on their faces, enjoyed the program greatly.

The decorations, executed by Mr. Bacon, all through the hospital were festive and artistic and quite in keeping with holiday celebration.

The evening's entertainment was donated by two members of the Second Presbyterian Church, Mrs. W. B. ReQua and Mr. W. B. Martin.

The annual Christmas dinner was served as usual to the patients and employes of the hospital, numbering something over 500. Over 400 pounds of turkey were furnished by friends through Mr. Bacon. Through Mrs. Edward Sauer the Dennison Company donated 500 dinner cards and 500 paper napkins. The dinner was a great success.

Acknowledgment is hereby made of donations to the Christmas fund as follows:

Miss Drake	\$10.00
Mrs. Welling	5.00
Mrs. McWilliams	5.00
Mrs. T. E. Wells.....	5.00
Mrs. Price	5.00
Miss Williams	5.00

Contributions were also made by:

Mrs. Hackney	\$1.00
Miss Jenks	1.00
Miss Little	2.00
Mrs. Sampson	1.00
Mrs. Reed	1.00
Mrs. Campbell	1.00
Mrs. Poppenhausen	1.00

The Woman's Auxiliary Board contributed \$129.98, which, added to the balance of \$44.14 left from last year, made the total Christmas fund \$217.12.

The total disbursements were something over this amount, but

Durand & Kasper gave a little extra discount on their bills for the Christmas dinner so as to reduce the disbursements to \$217.12.

We are sorry we have no balance left, but this is accounted for by the fact that the general expenses for the dinner, decorations, etc., were about \$50 more than last year, which was due to the increase of about 100 more patients this year.

I wish to thank my committee, which consisted of Mrs. W. B. ReQua and Mrs. Edward Sauer, for their generosity and kindness

KATE DIXON MARTIN, Chairman Christmas Committee.

THE RED CROSS SEAL AS A FACTOR IN THE FIGHT AGAINST TUBERCULOSIS.

In 1862 there was need of funds to care for the sick and wounded soldiers returning from the Civil War, and the "sanitary fair stamps" of varying denominations came into existence.

After the pressing needs of the war were over the little "stickers" were forgotten until 1892, when the National Red Cross of Portugal used them to furnish funds for their relief work, but not until 1907 were they again reintroduced into the United States by the American Red Cross.

In 1908 Chicago placed her first order for Red Cross Christmas seals, and it seemed the most natural thing in the world for the nurses of Chicago to step in and shoulder their share of the responsibilities for the sale and distribution of the little "bullets," as they are so significantly called.

On September 9, 1912, 5,000,000 Red Cross Christmas seals were ordered for the Chicago Tuberculosis Institute and the Illinois State Association for the Prevention of Tuberculosis.

As the sale progressed 1,000,000 more seals were ordered, allowing 2,500,000 for Chicago and 3,500,000 for the counties and towns in the state having anti-tuberculosis societies.

All seals and advertising matter were supplied by the American Red Cross Society, charging 10 per cent of the proceeds.

As the Chicago Tuberculosis Institute is the Chicago agent, it has all moneys taken in for the seals, less 10 per cent for the American Red Cross and 12½ per cent for the Illinois State Association for the Prevention of Tuberculosis, leaving a total of 77½ per cent for Chicago.

On November 29 the nurses of Chicago began active work with the opening of the booth in the Federal Building, in charge of nurses from Passavant Hospital, and the booth at the Land Show, in charge of nurses from Wesley Hospital. From this time on until January 1 nurses were in charge of the following booths:

Postoffice in Federal Building and the Englewood, Hyde Park, Jackson Park, Lincoln Park and Austin sub-postal stations, booths at Land Show, Stock Show and Masonic Temple.

The nurses serving represented thirty training schools, and there were more than 200 in number that gave their services. Nurses from the Presbyterian Hospital served one day at Federal booth and one-half day at Masonic Temple, besides disposing of 2,956 seals at the hospital, giving them a total of 3,606 as their contribution to the Red Cross Christmas seal fund.

It is impossible to state at the present time the exact number of seals disposed of by the Nurses' Committee, but it will reach the 450,000 mark.

At the close of the 1909-10 campaign the Chicago Tuberculosis Institute stated that in recognition of the valuable services rendered the institute by the nurses of Chicago a free bed would be placed at their disposal at the Edward Sanatorium at Naperville for any nurse suffering with tuberculosis. On March 5, 1910, our first patient was admitted to that bed, and up to the present time twelve nurses have availed themselves of that privilege and regained their health sufficiently to resume active work.

The proceeds from the sale of Red Cross Christmas seals in Chicago furnish the chief source of income to carry on the activities of the Chicago Tuberculosis Institute, the central headquarters of the anti-tuberculosis propaganda in this city.

The institute is responsible for the establishment of the tuberculosis dispensary system in Chicago, which was recently transferred to the city, and it is due to their efforts that Chicago adopted the so-called "Glackin Sanitarium Law," under the provision of which Chicago is building a Municipal Sanitarium with a capacity of 850 beds, which will open its doors about December 1, 1913.

Among other important activities of the institute may be mentioned the following:

(a) The establishment of the Committee on Factories, which has been successful in introducing a system of examination of employes in large concerns in this city.

(b) The initiation of a national investigation of hospitals for

advanced cases, which will result in the formulation and adoption of a higher standard of management for these institutions.

(c) The preparation of a complete tuberculosis exhibit, which is nearly completed and will be open to the public, and will no doubt be the most effective method the institute has ever instituted in its campaign of education.

This work means the saving of many lives as well as the prevention of a great economic loss to the community. Tuberculosis still remains the most formidable single foe to humanity; between 10 and 11 per cent of all deaths are due to it. We know the disease—how it is caused and how to prevent it—but we must remember that only by prolonged and united efforts can we successfully overcome it. The nurses are all important factors in the crusade.

LOUISE SACHS, R. N.

REPORT OF TRAINING SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

The members of the Training School Committee are much indebted, first of all, to Mrs. Graham, whose suggestion, that we go to work and try to give the nurses some holiday cheer, has led to the accomplishment of far more than we had ever dreamed could be possible. We have held no meetings during this too busy season, having fortunately been able to arrange all necessary details by the indispensable telephone.

As Dr. Freeman said in the First Church on the Sunday before Christmas: "It is easy enough to raise money if you first win men's hearts!" And we soon found that every one is interested in the hospital and all its branches and only too glad to help along the good work.

We started by trying to raise a part of the money needed to supply the Christmas dinner and entertainment at the Nurses' Home. A number of contributions which had been made toward another project which did not succeed were easily diverted into this new channel. Other new gifts quickly followed, and before long we were almost overwhelmed by the funds which came rolling in. Mr. Hughitt responded to a note from Miss Ross by sending in return mail a check for \$100. Mr. Ernest Hamill requested the privilege of paying for the entire dinner, and when told that it was already provided sent a generous check to be added to our fund, with a written promise to defray all expenses of the dinner next year. Three children of six,

ten and fourteen years raised nearly \$27 and gave it to us for the good cause. This part of our endeavor being so satisfactorily arranged, we turned our attention to the next thing on the program, the "tea," to which Miss Ross had kindly invited all the nurses. The last afternoon of 1912 was found to be the most convenient time to have it. Miss McMillan, who at first thought she could not spare more than fifteen nurses, kindly increased the number to fifty-seven, and twelve automobiles were borrowed to take them and the committee to Miss Ross' apartment in the Raymond and back to the Training School. It was an ideal day and every one enjoyed the drive, the beautiful view of the lake and the cordial hospitality of the gracious hostess. The committee is deeply indebted to Miss Ross and to the friends who so kindly and cheerfully loaned their motors—Mrs. Day, Mrs. Herrick and Mrs. Lamson (the latter two ladies coming themselves to escort their guests), Mrs. T. A. Shaw, Jr., Miss Margaretta E. Otis, Mrs. Henry W. Farnum, Mrs. Tracy C. Drake and Mrs. John B. Drake, Jr.—the members of the committee, including Mrs. Forsyth, Mrs. Irons and Mrs. Sippy, each also furnishing a motor. We are grateful also to Mrs. Sippy for the beautiful pink roses sent for the tea table, and to Mrs. Welling for helpful suggestions and for coming in person.

The extra money left, after paying for the dinner and entertainment, has been put into a special fund to be held by the treasurer for this committee to be used in the future as opportunity offers for the benefit of the nurses, many of whom are young women from out of the city, and apt to be rather homesick away from their families at the holiday season. In our efforts to do good to the sick and suffering let us not forget the faithful ones who care for them and who need our encouragement in the self-sacrificing vocation they have chosen.

HELEN V. DRAKE, Chairman.

SOCIAL SERVICE REPORT.

We wish to give the circumstances in connection with two cases this month that show how greatly varied the work and the social problems are that come to our hospital worker.

A man was sent home from the hospital in December with incurable cancer. The social service worker found both husband and wife much depressed over the situation, as he could never work again, and she, because of varicose veins, could not be on her feet. Three young

children must be provided for, and the combined earnings, \$14 a week, of the two older children were the only resources that provided the rent and necessary food. The Free Dispensary ordered woven rubber bandages for the woman, which our worker supplied. Then, as she was too ill to leave the house, the Visiting Nurses' Association, at our request, arranged for a nurse to attend the case. One of the members of the Woman's Auxiliary has become a friendly visitor to the family. The social worker has supplied shoes, gloves, sweater and an overcoat, which has been specially donated for his need, to one of the boys, warm underclothing has been given to the man and the wife, and a Christmas dinner was furnished by the Second Presbyterian Church. No more grateful person has ever reported to our worker than this woman, who called at the office to thank everyone "who had been so good to them in their troubles."

A young woman, twenty-one years of age, was so hurriedly brought to the hospital that she had no time to plan for the care of her children that must be left at home. The grandmother assumed charge of the four-year-old child, but the four-months-old baby was sent to a baby boarding house, whose caretaker the father and mother had never seen. Naturally the patient worried about her children, and our worker visited both to assure the mother that they were well and properly cared for. As the day for an operation approached, the woman requested that a minister whom she had known in her childhood be asked to visit her. It was found that he was out of town, but another was suggested, and he consented to break an engagement so as to arrive in time. Mentally and spiritually, therefore, this woman was assisted by our worker for the ordeal through which she passed.

REPORT FROM OCTOBER 1, 1912, TO JANUARY 1, 1913.

Money spent for relief	\$13.72
Money refunded on loans	6.96
Number of new patients	207
Number of calls made	300
Number of calls received	94
Number of letters written	92
Number of old clothes given	84
Number of new clothes given	69
Number of calls in the office	208

MRS. JOHN BALCOM SHAW, Chairman.
MRS. OLIVE B. HAZLETT, Visitor.

VISITING COMMITTEE REPORT.

The superintendent of the hospital reports 1,550 patients received into the hospital during the months of October, November and December. The Visiting Committee in that time has made over six hundred visits.

One member of the committee has made her visits among the women of the wards and tells how her soul has been refreshed by giving comfort to those helpless ones. Some, fearing the operating table, have been strengthened through her influence to have stronger faith in the loving Savior.

Another of the committee reports that she has met a new class of patients in the wards, people refined and responsive, who readily tell her not only of their bodily ills, but of their lives and their longings to be and do better.

All along the line of our work we are received with warm welcome and bright smiles. I don't see how they smile, but they do.

MRS. JANET M. SMALL, Chairman.

CHAPEL NOTES.

The past few months have been full of interest as far as our chapel services are concerned. We feel almost as if we were worshipping in a new church. The interior decorations of the chapel room have been so thoroughly gone over that the very sight of the room puts a different thrill into a person. With new furniture, new carpet, new chandeliers, in fact, almost everything new—it seems like a new house of worship.

Within the past few weeks an innovation has been practiced in connection with our service. It has been a regretted fact that the time occupied in getting the patients up to our services had to be so prolonged. The elevators can carry only a limited number at a time. Most of them have to come in wheel-chairs. After the first ones arrive it is sometimes quite a wait before the service can be begun. Sick people get tired and restless much sooner than those who are well, especially is this true if there be nothing to occupy their attention. We have received permission to use the phonograph which belongs to the children's wards. Through the kindness of Mrs. D.

W. Graham we have been supplied with a number of unusually fine records of a religious or semi-religious nature. After the patients begin to gather for the service, from one to three numbers will be played on the phonograph while waiting for the time to begin the service. Those who gather from Sunday to Sunday seem to be very much pleased with the change.

On Sunday, December 29, it was necessary for the chaplain to be away from the service. Mr. Benjamin F. Pickering, a student for the ministry in McCormick Seminary, and an active member of the Third Presbyterian Church, took charge of the chapel service. This was not a new experience to Mr. Pickering. He has been in the Presbyterian Hospital Chapel before, always with the same sincere and earnest message.

Since the last number of the Bulletin was published there have been a number of special holidays. An effort has been put forth to observe them all in as appropriate a way as possible. On the Sunday before Thanksgiving Day we tried to show forth our thankfulness in our service. On the morning of Thanksgiving Day as many as were able and so disposed gathered in the chapel. Most of those who gather in the chapel from Sunday to Sunday feel that they have much to be thankful for. Most of them are almost ready to leave the hospital and realize much blessing in that thought. It is only once in a long time we meet one who feels rebellious against Providence. Persons who are well could learn many lessons from those who are patients in our hospital. "Patient" is a splendid word to use in describing them. They are wonderfully patient. We had our Christmas services and our New Year's services on the proper Sundays. They were responded to in the same hearty manner.

There is a suggestion that the chaplain would like to make to those who represent the different churches. If you will you can help in our services very much. If you have a quartet or a soloist in your church who would be willing to volunteer their services for a chapel service, it would be very acceptable. Even your presence, whether you can sing or not, is worth a great deal. There is always a very limited number of convalescent patients in the hospital. The size of our congregation is dependent on that number. There is an inspiration in a larger crowd that helps everyone present. If you can help at any time, call the chaplain by phone, Seeley 5830.

J. V. BERGER, Chaplain.

NURSES' ALUMNAE NOTES.

Miss Helen M. Rutherford, '12, is head nurse at the Central Free Dispensary.

There have been several changes in the head nursing staff. Miss Mary White and Miss Charity Lyon, who have had charge of floors in the Private Pavilion, have left. Miss White is spending the winter in Charlottesville, Va. Miss Lyon will soon leave for California. Their positions have been filled by Miss Esther Fairchild, '09, and Miss Lolita Cooper of Class '12.

Miss Blanche Guthrie, '12, has been appointed head nurse of the sixth floor.

Miss Lois Reed, '08, has returned to Chicago for private duty, after an absence at her home of four years.

Several of the nurses have gone to California for the winter and will do private duty while there. Among these are Miss Peninah K. Jones '08, Miss Josephine Morse '10, Miss Dorothy Post '11, Miss Glen McDougall '11 and Miss Laura Snere '10.

Miss Nadja Fitts '12 is located in Boston.

From the Class of 1912 Miss Elsie M. Green was married on December 1 to Mr. Archibald Harry Fessler of Sun Prairie, Wis., and Miss Astrid Kyvik in August to Mr. Carl Malmsten S  ve of Chicago.

A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Baer on November 17. Mrs. Baer was formerly Miss Shannon of 1910.

Miss Josephine Toms '12 is doing district nursing in Chicago.

Miss Emma Morrison '08 was married January 1, 1913, to Mr. Felix Carleton Tyler of Hawarden, Iowa.

Mrs. Leah Fish Hayden, Mrs. Avis Corlew Zupp, Mrs. Theodore Townsend Stearns, Mrs. Sylvia Chenoworth Lee and Miss Julia S. Chubbuck have been among the recent callers at the hospital.

The Mary Byrne Fund has been growing since the last issue of the Bulletin. The Woman's Auxiliary Board has now given \$2,500 and the Alumnae \$900, which we hope to make one thousand by February 11, 1913, the beginning of the fiscal year. We shall then have thirty-five hundred dollars toward the necessary ten thousand. Fifty dollars has recently been given by Misses Hibbert, Lolita Cooper and Chubbuck.

The Alumnae Association met Tuesday afternoon, January 14. Miss Breckenridge gave a very interesting description of the work done in the Northwestern Settlement. It was decided to try the plan of holding monthly meetings and to have occasional evening meetings with addresses. Light refreshments were served.

INTERNES' NOTES.

The growth of the hospital and the constantly increasing amount of laboratory work done in connection with each case have finally necessitated the appointment of junior internes on the three medical services. These places are now filled by Dr. Gaarde (Dr. Billings' service), Dr. Mitchell (Dr. Herrick's service), and Dr. Berkman (Dr. Sippy's service). The junior interne, after six months' service, becomes senior for the next six months. In this way the service is never without a man acquainted with the details of the work and of the hospital routine.

Dr. James Patterson, since leaving the hospital, has spent several months as surgeon for the lumber companies in Ely, Minn. He has now returned to enter into practice in Chicago.

Dr. Edward Koch is now taking a service at the Akron City Hospital in Akron, Ohio. Dr. Henry Ullmann succeeds him as senior on Dr. Graham's service.

Dr. Chapman has been appointed junior interne.

Dr. Fjeldstadt has been succeeded on the Outside Service by Dr. Paul Forgraves. Dr. Forgraves came from the Arkon City Hospital, where he had held an internship last year.

Drs. John McClellan and James Greer have opened offices together at 57th street and Woodlawn avenue.

Dr. Milton Galloway, formerly on Dr. Sippy's service, is now practicing at South English, Iowa.

Dr. Benjamin Davis has finished Dr. Bevan's service and is now located at Creston, Iowa. Dr. George Coleman is now junior on this service.

The recent ex-interne banquet was held at the University Club. Forty-three old internes were present. The presentation of a silver loving cup to Dr. D. W. Graham was the feature of the evening. Dr. Rudolph Holmes was toastmaster. Among the speakers was Dr. Sheldon, the first interne appointed to the hospital.